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## Men Who Cook

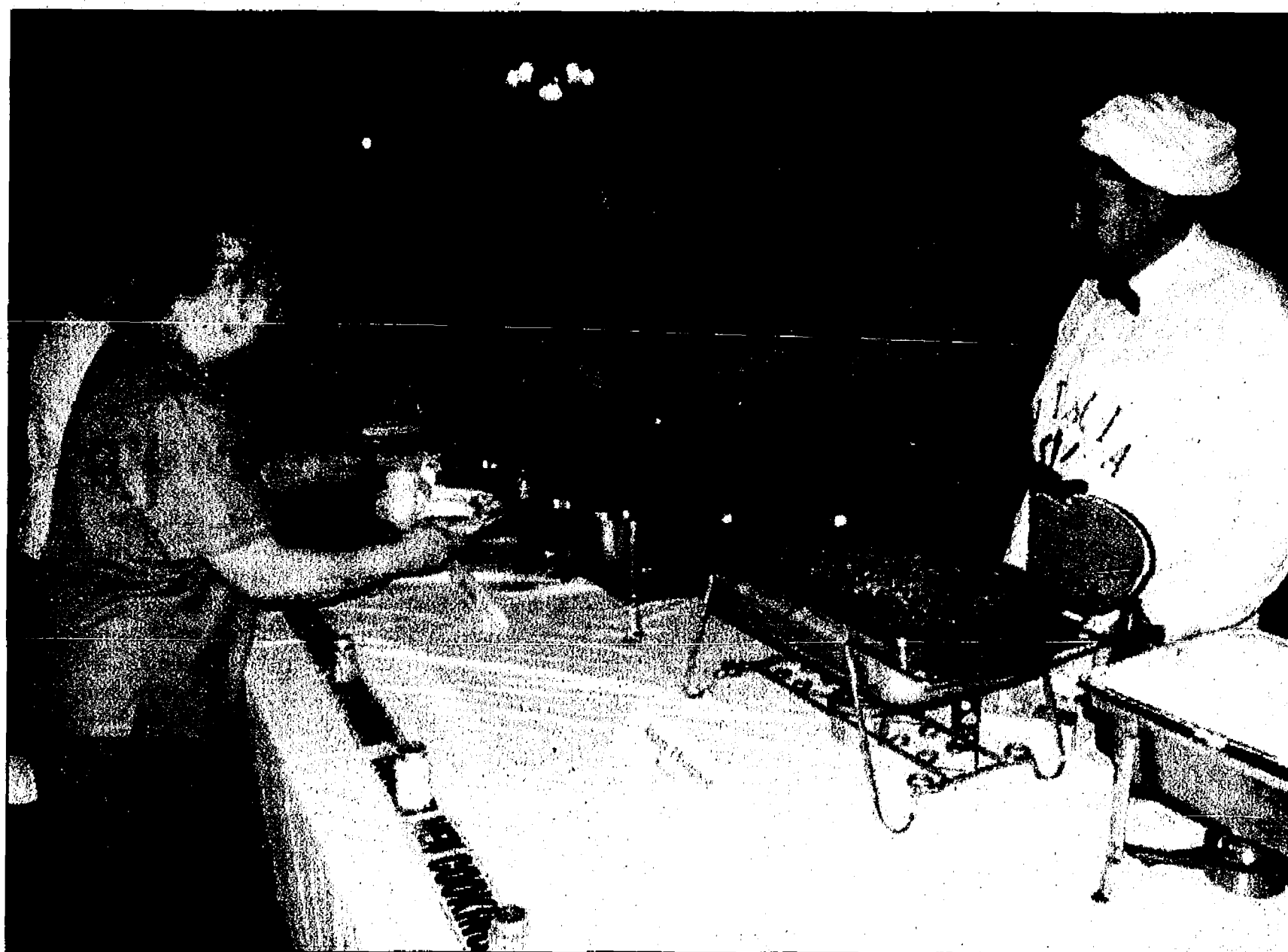


Photo courtesy of Doug Meroney

About 150 people attended the third annual Great Chefs of Crawford County event, also known as "Men Who Cook," last Saturday night at the Officers Club at Camp Grayling. A substantial amount of money was raised at this Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce-sponsored event, with all proceeds going to help pay the expenses of the annual AuSable River Festival. Chamber President Tim Zigila said 10 exquisite and tasty dishes, from soup to main entrees to desserts, were prepared to tempt attendees and each year the event offers more. Men Who Cook this year were: Mike Barr, Don Bowers, Corey Derenzy, Dr. Dave Dubriwny, Bill Gannon, Jerry Gosnell, Scott Hanson, Skip Kaiser, Skip Madsen, Don Schanz, Randy Thompson, Tim Zigila, John Jones, John Hunt, and Bob Young.

## Saivage yard work sparks fire

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

A hot bolt or spring from a vehicle dismantled before noon on April 29 was determined to be the cause of a grass fire at a salvage yard in Frederic that day.

Frederic Fire Chief Doug Pratt said the warm winds and extreme dry conditions that Tuesday caused his department to call for back up from the neighboring communities of Lovells Township, Grayling Township and Otsego Lake Township to answer the call at Abel Auto Parts on Old US-27.

Pratt said the workers were being cautious while cutting the rear axle off a vehicle in the yard using cutting torches. Workers told Pratt they waited a while after the cutting to move the vehicle, but apparently a hot part or parts fell to the ground during the move and ignited the grassy area. A total of 14 vehicles were involved, but none were fully engulfed by fire.

Chief Pratt credits quick response by fire fighters for the damage being kept to a minimum and containment of the fire to a small area. He cautions everyone to be aware of dry conditions when working with any tool that might ignite a fire and keep a water source nearby.

## 8th graders honor moms



Photo courtesy of the Grayling Middle School Combo Team

Representing the Grayling Middle School (GMS) 8th Grade Class, students surprised female residents of the Grayling Nursing Centre with bouquets of flowers in honor of Mother's Day on Friday, May 9. The event was funded by the GMS Combo Team.

## Saturday is Kite Day!

The Grayling Recreational Authority (GRA) invites everyone to come fly a kite as it presents Kite Day on Saturday, May 17, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., at

Hanson Hills Recreation Area.

Free kites and refreshments will be available while supplies last.

Hanson Hills is located just off

of Old Lake Road in Grayling Township.

For more information about Kite Day and other GRA events, call 348-9266.

## Leadership, DDA keys to a better downtown

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

Think of the downtown area of Grayling as a "mall without a roof." That's what members of the Community Assessment Team suggested to a gathering of local officials, business owners and citizens when they gave their report last Thursday.

The CAT Team performed a scaled down version in Grayling of what is usually done in Michigan communities looking to improve aesthetics, attract businesses, but most importantly attract more people to town. Though only in Grayling for a few days, the team tried to leave no stone unturned.

CAT Team members were Robert Tresize, Managing Director - Michigan Economic Development Corporation; Bryan Crough, Executive Director - Traverse City DDA; and Rita Hodgins and Phil Alexander of Michigan State University Extension.

Leadership was named as the key to the success of any improvement or development plans. The team suggested a collaborative economic development agency with a full-time staff person be implemented soon.

This agency would be housed in the downtown district to foster a working relationship between the agency, local government, businesses and organizations. It would work a lot like a mall management office and would serve to oversee anticipated needs in the district, for the welfare of all. "You wouldn't leave your mall businesses out there on their own, and you shouldn't do that to the downtown businesses, either," team members explained.

The team made it very clear

that the establishment of a DDA or "Downtown Development Authority" is also very important to bring about organized change.

Team members said they didn't have all the answers, but offered the following list of suggestions:

- Start at the center of town - "decay begins at the center; when one good thing happens, good things follow. When one bad thing happens, bad things usually follow."

- Get over the fact that Crawford County has a large amount of state and federal lands. The team found people were "almost obsessed" with this concern, while there is 1,800 acres available in the industrial park and a lot of space available in town.

- Get out and visit other communities that are attractive and vibrant. Talk to community leaders and business people. Make note of their use of signage. Do this by August 15.

- Have a Downtown Commercial Market Study done and devise a redevelopment plan.

- Keep the County Courthouse in the downtown area because it brings people into town every day. Other downtown areas where courthouses were moved out, have died. Grayling has already removed the library and City Hall from its downtown area.

- Think more about pedestrian traffic -- more people on foot are more important than cars driving through town. With the development of the Fred Bear property, Grayling has an "incredible opportunity" to extend the downtown area and pedestrian traffic.

- No airport service - the team suggests everyone concerned

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## Teen driver dies in high speed crash

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

A 19-year Howell teen, who had been living in the Grayling area for the past few years, died late Friday night when the car he was driving crashed on County Road 612.

According to Michigan State Troopers out of Houghton Lake, James Scott Fear was reported to have been traveling at a high rate of speed when he lost control of his Ford Mustang on a curve

near Bear Lake Road, rolling the car and ejecting him onto the roadway. He was pronounced dead at the scene. Fear was not wearing his seat belt.

Two passengers in Fear's car, a 16-year old boy and a 15 year-old girl who live in the Grayling/Frederic area, were wearing seat belts and received only minor injuries in the crash.

Besides speed, Troopers suspect alcohol played a role in the accident.

## Dinner planned to help with teen's funeral expenses

Family and friends of James Scott Fear, who died as a result of a car accident on May 9, have planned a benefit spaghetti dinner on Monday, May 19 at the Gray Rock Cafe in Grayling. Proceeds from the dinner will help the family pay Fear's funeral

expenses. Dinner will be served from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. and includes salad and garlic bread. Cost is \$5 per person.

Anyone wishing to make a donation, is asked to contact Jill Anderson at 348-5181.

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## Concert Band seniors present their final concert



The GHS Concert Band has nineteen seniors who will be giving their final concert at the GHS gym May 20 at 7 p.m. Back row (left to right): Shannon Plutko, Patti Martella, Coleman Payne, Todd Gaffke, Will Brewer. Middle row: Breck Denewett, Colleen Rogers, Amanda St. Amour, Lexi Bondar, Andi Holzbauer, Ken Heinlein, Jason Henning. Front row: Arrow Francisco, Danyelle Larson, Shannon Terry, Jennifer Rusiecki, Tracy Parkinson, Michele Belcher. Not pictured: Maeghan Corwin.

## Leadership, DDA keys to a better downtown

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• No airport service - the team suggests everyone concerned find a way to make the airfield work for everyone.

• By June 10 - Establish a DDA. (The City Council may address this issue at its next regular meeting, May 27.)

• Make a serious review of ordinances and zoning. Make changes necessary to focus on aesthetics. Be aware of private property rights, a big issue in northern Michigan. Adopt an aggressive signage ordinance.

• While using the slogan "A River Runs Through It" is nice, visitors to town find it unclear where the river is located. Make the river more visible and more accessible.

• Fighting over I-75 and US-127 freeway interchanges with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) may be a waste of time and should be placed low on the list of priorities.

• It is not clear to travelers that Michigan Avenue is "downtown." There is no sign announcing the "Downtown District." Attention should be paid to the

four buildings on the corners of the intersection of Michigan Avenue and the I-75 Business Loop (James Street). And, Michigan Avenue is "too wide" causing pedestrians to have to run to cross streets.

The team suggested "bumping out" the corners to narrow street crossings, creating a "green

median" with trees, grass, and flowers... "then you (the driver) will understand you're in a different place and things are happening here" causing more people to stop for a visit in town.


In closing, the team reminded everyone that "a nice downtown attracts business to other areas..." and, "You need leadership!"

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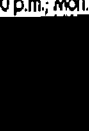



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A team of "outsiders" came to Grayling last week to assess the assets of the community and its shortfalls, to listen to public comment and report back ideas to improve the area. The Community Assessment Team included Robert Tresize (Managing Director, MEDC), Phil Alexander (MSUE), Bryan Crough (Executive Director of the Traverse City DDA) and Rita Hodgins (MSUE).

## CARE expo ready to help residents

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling will be the site of the second annual Crawford Adult Resource Exchange (CARE) expo where residents can easily learn about the wide variety of services available in the county.

The expo will have booths from 24 local agencies ranging from Habitat for Humanity to the probate court to nursing homes. The booths will be manned by knowledgeable representatives who will be able to provide answers to most questions. Brochures will be available and each booth will offer a door

prize.

There will also be speakers throughout the day. They will cover estate planning, TRIAD, Alzheimer's, foot care, exercise, diet, Medicaid/Medicare assistance, relaxation/aromatherapy, depression, substance abuse, and kids today.

Allen Lowe will give the keynote address at lunchtime. It will be followed by the presentation of awards for outstanding human service professionals.

The expo is open from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Thursday, May 15. The expo and accompanying lunch are free.

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## County equalization has new leader

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

When Kevin Hunter was hired to fill a temporary position in the Crawford County Equalization Department, little did he know how far he would go.

In February, 2001 longtime Equalization Director Bill Borchers retired, leaving the department without a Level 3 assessor as mandated by the State of Michigan. After much discussion, the County Board of Commissioners contracted with William Kerr to serve for a little less than a year while Hunter attended classes and completed the Level 3 certification process.

"Bill (Kerr) served as a great mentor and provided a tremendous amount of stress relief in our department while I attained Level 3," Hunter said.

The Equalization Department is tasked with setting the tax base for real properties in the county through market and appraisal studies. "We try very hard to monitor property transfers (sales) so values are uncapped when they should be, bringing more revenue to the taxing units,"



Kevin Hunter was appointed in April to serve as the Director of Equalization by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

Photo by Cheryl Ruley

Hunter explained.

"I really appreciate the opportunity the County Board has given me," Hunter said. "My

plan is to carry out the functions of my position in the most fair and equitable manner for both the property owner and the coun-

ty."

Hunter was officially appointed Director of Equalization in April.

## More ethnic variety at lunchtime at GHS

Recently the students at Grayling High School (GHS) had a chance to eat a classical Italian lunch. Guest Chef Christopher Engelhardt from the Bay City area was on hand to assist with the preparation and provided food demonstrations during the three lunch periods.

In January, a team began working together at GHS to implement a small grant awarded by Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service (MSU-E). GHS is one of twelve schools in the state to have received a "Changing the Scene" grant for the 2002-2003 school year. The grant requires a team approach to improving the school nutrition environment by

using a US Department of Agriculture produced kit to assess the environment and make plans for improvement. The team is coordinated by Janet Gaffke, Director of Food Service, and includes four students, teachers, building principals, a counselor, Board of Education members, parents, and food service staff.

Students and staff at GHS know their physical environment will change dramatically when school opens in September 2003. A new kitchen and cafeteria are under construction for the school and will provide much improved facilities with the opportunity to expand menu offerings for students. The students on the grant

team are hopeful they are helping Gaffke and her staff with the first of an ongoing series of ethnic theme meals, a desire expressed by the student body.

"Our staff have been trained over several years to decrease fat, sodium, and simple sugars in our school meals in accord with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. This spring they have had the opportunity to work with Chef Kris to focus on eye appeal and enhancing flavors with herbs and spices," commented Gaffke. "We are very excited to move into our new facility and be able to expand the types of foods available for our students. We will have the equipment needed to prepare more

products from scratch as opposed to the current equipment which limits our menu," she said.

"Our 'Changing the Scene' grant has encouraged us to look at what we are currently doing well, but to also identify the need for additional variety in the foods we offer and to market our program more effectively to our student body of over 600," said Rose Keusch, Food Service Manager at Grayling High School.

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Proceeds Go To Community Improvements

## Stand-off suspect pleads no contest

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

A former downstate man, now with a Johannesburg address, pled no contest to two felony breaking and entering charges last month and was sentenced May 5 in 46th Circuit Trial Court.

Ronald Charles Kisee, age 51, allegedly went on a spree of break-ins, stole a Ford Explorer and held Crawford County Sheriff's officials at bay for

about five hours, at his father's cabin in Lovells Township last October 27. The stand-off ended when law enforcement entered the cabin and found Kisee hiding in the shower stall, protecting himself with a pillow and a knife. Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said the crime spree may have been a result of Kisee needing money due to a gambling problem.

Kisee was sentenced by Chief Judge Alton T. Davis to serve one year in jail for each charge, with

sentences running concurrently. He received credit for 191 days served. Kisee will be on probation for two years following the completion of his jail term and release. He was ordered to pay court costs and fees totaling \$980, plus restitution of over \$3,710.

Charges of assault with a dangerous weapon, vehicle theft, and one breaking and entering were dropped in exchange for Kisee's no contest plea.

## Stabbing suspect bound over for trial

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

A teen facing a felonious assault charge has been bound over for trial in 46th Circuit Trial Court.

Michael Brandon Trospen, 19, allegedly stabbed another teen, 19-year old Juell Joseph, follow-

ing an argument and suspected underage drinking on April 20 in Frederic Township.

Michigan State Police Troopers reported Trospen was himself assaulted earlier that night. They said after the argument at a party, Trospen left, got a knife and went to Joseph's

home where the argument picked up again in the driveway where Joseph was stabbed in the abdomen. His wound was not life-threatening.

Trospen, charged with one count of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, is free on a \$10,000 bond.

## Public information bill passes state House

LANSING — State Senator Tony Stamas (R-Midland) announced May 8 that Senate Bill 180, a bill he sponsored which would prohibit state government agencies and departments from using fee telephone numbers to charge callers who want to access public information, passed the full House of Representatives with a unanimous vote.

Some state agencies, including the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, have been charging as much as \$1.50 per minute to access public information.

"Public information should be free of charge to hardworking, tax-paying citizens," Stamas said. "I am happy my colleagues unanimously agreed that the state should no longer collect this type

of income from Michigan's residents."

Senate Bill 180, which underwent a minor change in the House, will now go back to the state Senate for consideration.

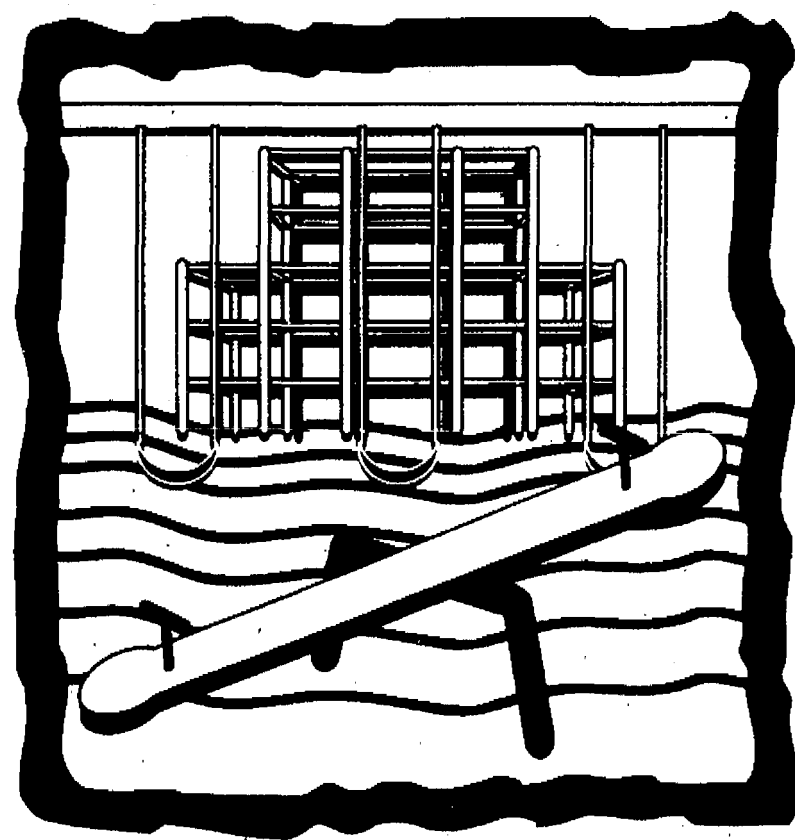
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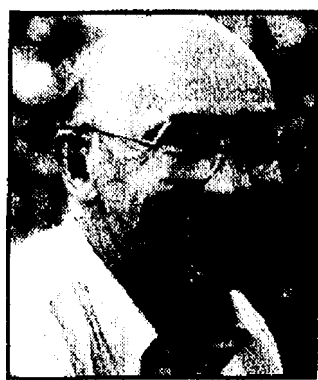
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# OPINIONS



**ALMANACK**

by Richard Milliman

## Here are two things that need some work

MUSING ABOUT the state of public affairs in Michigan convinces me some things should be changed.

Somebody ought to do something about how Michigan voters decide whom they want to run for president.

Eventual nominees are chosen by delegates to national nominating conventions; how those delegates are picked is the key.

The way it is now, Michigan Democrats have one way, Republicans another, and roughly one-third of Michigan voters pledged to neither party have precious little to say about it.

Maybe that's the way it should be ... but there's a growing voice that says it's wrong.

Republicans in the legislature are about to do away with the presidential primary for 2004.

That's okay with me. Only Republicans were going to use it anyway, and with President Bush the only apparent Republican candidate, who needs a primary?

In addition, the savings of about \$7-8 million in election costs will help both state and local government budgets.

DEMOCRATS PREFER party caucuses, where party regulars around the state meet in caucus and pick their delegates without regard for direct public input.

Absent the presidential primary, Michigan Republicans will use a state party convention to do almost the same thing.

In Michigan, the nominating process -- primary, caucus, convention, or whatever -- is strictly a party vehicle for each party to select its candidates to run for

office.

What about the public? Should they be shut out of the process?

The only obvious answer is to become involved in one party or another and then you might have a voice.

Is this the way it should be? Or is there a better way?

Somebody ought to do something to straighten out this mess.

SOMEBODY OUGHT to do something about how Michigan selects its judges. The state supreme court offers a horrible example an extreme plea for change.

To fill the seven-member court, each major party can nominate one candidate for each opening. Incumbents can file for re-election with only an affidavit.

Any minor party that has

achieved official ballot status (by winning a designated but small percentage of votes in an earlier election) also can nominate candidates.

The law allows a self-starting would-be justice to form his/her own new political party and win nomination that way. It happens.

On the statewide ballot, a sitting justice is identified as an incumbent, but there is no designation of which party ... if any ... nominated which candidate.

There follows usually a spirited campaign which has become increasingly negative and partisan, and spending disgustingly huge amounts of money, largely raised from special interest groups.

Once elected, the winning justices are supposed to rule on cases without regard to party

affiliation, how they got elected, or who backed whom in earlier campaigns.

FOR THE STATE court of appeals, judges are nominated by petition, with no partisan attachment.

For local judges -- circuit, recorders court, district and probate -- incumbent judges can run again by affidavit, and challengers or candidates for open spots also circulate petitions.

The incumbency designation continues each step of the system ... and although it does not assure reelection, history shows that very few sitting judges at any level are voted out of office.

Should any judge be elected in the first place? Is election only a popularity contest favoring popular names, without regard for

experience or qualification? Is there a better way?

Somebody ought to do something about how Michigan Supreme Court justices get the job ... and while they're at it, maybe somebody ought to look at the entire judicial selection process.

SOMEBODY OUGHT to do something about the Michigan legislature, too, but there's not enough space left in this essay to discuss that question adequately. Maybe next time, or sometime soon.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## Absence of city reps leaves some shocked

To the editor,

New meaning to the words, "Shock and Awe," occurred at the recent Grayling Community Assessment Team (CAT) public forum held on Thursday, May 8.

"Shock" that the City of Grayling had no representation at this very important meeting to assess the needs of our community and "awe" that it seemed they don't care about our community and have chosen to isolate themselves from public opinion and being a part of any open discussion.

The public forum must have been important to the well-being of our community because the CEO of Mercy Hospital, the Directors of our Transportation, Family Independence Agency, Health Department, Library, Camp Grayling, Hartwick Pines State Park, Visitors Council, Chamber of Commerce, service

clubs, health service providers, GPA (Grayling Promotional Association), GUDA (Grayling Uptown District Association) as well as many county and township officials, business owners and others cared enough to give up their evening to provide input so that the CAT Team could have good data from which to make its report to the community.

It is discouraging when the City Council and City Manager don't fully participate in this type of forum. The City is the core of our community and should be leading the way in pursuit of business, beautification and downtown development.

When the city is strong and viable -- our whole community will benefit!

William and Barbara Greene  
Grayling

## Ownership not required for right to speak out

To the editor,

Opponents to the designation of the Manistee River under the State of Michigan's Natural River Program flew their true colors at the public hearing in Grayling on May 3. I was shocked and embarrassed when one of the opponents shouted a venomous assault toward one of the public speakers.

According to her, the speaker did not have the right to speak in support of designation because he was not a Manistee property owner. Would someone please tell this woman that the Manistee River is owned by all of the

people of the State of Michigan, not just those who are property owners.

This speaker is a fine gentleman, a retired University chemistry professor, a local angling guide, and President of the local Trout Unlimited Chapter. He has as much right to voice his opinion as any state resident.

Perhaps the woman guilty of this public assault would consider an apology to this man. He certainly deserves it.

James E. Powers  
Manistee River property owner  
Grayling

## Deputies will be looking for unbelted drivers again

To the editor,

Crawford County law enforcement officials have a message to Michigan drivers who fail to buckle up: "Click It or Ticket."

As part of the statewide "Click It or Ticket" campaign, local law enforcement agencies are working together to increase seat belt enforcement among Michigan drivers in Crawford County.

During the last scheduled

campaign, the Crawford County Sheriff's Office cited 115 drivers for failing to wear their seat belts. Starting May 19 through June 1, Deputies will be focusing on traffic enforcement on those drivers not wearing seat belts.

So remember, "Click It or Ticket."

Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield  
Crawford County

## Stop on Lincoln was part of presidential duties

To the editor,

I take exception to the viewpoint you put forward in the first few paragraphs of your "Almanack" article (published May 8, "Opinions") as it reflects on President Bush. I am not entirely certain whether you are playing you own fiddle, or are on the band wagon of CNN, CBS and other news-related media.

We are, and have been, enjoying the leadership of the Bush administration for the past three years. Hopefully this leadership will prevail through the next five years!

Of course, President Bush must realize and be concerned with the fact that he is in the political arena. As such, he must strive to be successful and has the right to seize any opportunity to present his administrative abilities whenever possible.

For you or any news media to present the suggestion that he is "capitalizing" on current events for personal gratification is not entirely being truthful, now is it? After all, it is the news media that continues to air the USS Abraham Lincoln coverage.

It is unclear to me -- are you condemning President Bush for performing as a true Commander in Chief? Or, are you merely joining with other news reporting sources in garnering more

revenue by chastising a man for performance of duties that are true to his oath of office?

If, as you infer, the Bush campaign utilizes the USS Abraham Lincoln footage for political advantages, I would admit to being disappointed, but then I have never been overly enamored with politics! However, shouldn't we evaluate whether or not it is the Bush camp and not the news media doing the presentation?

The United States of America Citizenry had to endure eight years of "leadership" under the Clinton administration when; the best that could be expected was attacks on our Constitution and Bill of Rights amendments! The same Constitution, that provides you the freedom of speech and press!

The truth be brought forth, had President Clinton been more cognizant of performing his office responsibilities, rather than self-gratification(s), he might well have measured up to the expectations of the office of the President of the United States. But then, President Bush has the edge here also as he has a woman standing beside him who knows how to be a partner rather than a competitor.

Peter W. Stephan  
Grayling

## Pennies reinforce middle school's Holocaust lesson

To the editor,

My name is Samara Sabin and I am a teacher at the Grayling Middle School. Last year my students raised over 100,000 pennies (\$1,000) in an attempt to raise six million pennies (\$60,000) to represent the number of Jews lost in the Holocaust. We did this by collecting donations from local businesses and from the students themselves.

Five hundred dollars of last year's total has been donated to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.

The remainder of that money (approximately \$550) has been donated back to the local community through the United Way.

Again this year, we are asking for pennies or any other monetary donations you can spare. We will begin another account at GMS for this and these funds will be donated on or before December 31, 2003.

If you'd like to participate, please bring your donations to the Grayling Middle School by May 31.

Samara Sabin  
Grayling

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## Hobo Supper to benefit cancer research

Join the "bos" for a Hobo Supper on Saturday, May 17, at the Masonic Temple on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, next to the Rialto Theatre. The "trampiest" dressed man or woman will get their supper free, others pay \$5 each. Supper will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and everyone is welcome. All proceeds will be donated to help pay for cancer research.

## Last call for Gypsy Moth control

Those property owners of Crawford County who are interested in having their property sprayed for the control of Gypsy Moth have only a few more days to complete the arrangements. H.T. Productions, Inc. of Grayling is currently scheduling flights for Hatfield's Spraying Service. Cost of the aerial application is \$200 for the first 10 acres and \$17.50 for each additional acre thereafter. For more information or to place property on the flight schedule, call 348-5187.

## Rotary's Annual Garage Sale, May 17-18

The Grayling Rotary Club will be holding their Annual Garage Sale on Saturday, May 17, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday, May 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will be held at J.J.'s Motor Mall on M72 West in Grayling. The Rotary Club will be accepting donations of clean, saleable items of value between now and the event. To donate an item, call Joe Porter at (989) 348-9012 or Marlin Friske at (989) 348-8382.

## TU annual banquet this Saturday

The Annual Mason Griffith Founders Chapter Trout Unlimited Conservation Banquet will be held Saturday, May 17 at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Social Hour begins at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. A raffle for a notebook computer and shotgun will be held, as well as many other live, silent and bucket raffles for a variety of items. Dinner tickets will be available at the door for \$30 each. For more information, call (989) 348-5196 or (989) 925-2171.

## Nature Park grand opening planned

Everyone is invited to come and be a kid again at the Grand Opening of the Fish Hatchery Nature Park, located on North Down River Road across from the Fish Hatchery, on May 15 at 1 p.m. Refreshments will be available. For more information, call 348-4361.

## Hearing topic recycling, container law

The Michigan Beverage Container and Recycling Task Force will hold a public hearing in Gaylord on Monday, May 19, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Those wishing to testify should contact Fawn River Township Republican State Senator Cameron Brown's office toll-free at 1-866-305-0316 or at (517) 373-5932. Testifiers may also provide a written copy of their testimony. Call Sen. Brown's office for meeting location.

## OMH blood drive to be held May 22

The American Red Cross and Otsego Memorial Hospital (OMH) in Gaylord will host a blood drive on Thursday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at the hospital located at 825 North Center Avenue. OMH requests appointments for each blood donor participating. Call (989) 731-2216 to make an appointment.

## Mt. Hope to host gospel singer

Gospel singer David Britton will present a free-will offering concert at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 17 at 7 p.m. No reservations are needed. This concert is for all age groups and everyone is invited to come and enjoy the message of Christ in word and song. Britton will also provide the music for the Sunday, May 18 worship service at 10:30 a.m.

## Free hearing/vision tests offered

Free hearing and vision screenings for kids ages three to 18 years will be offered by the local health department staff on Friday, June 20 at the Head Start Center. Call the health department for an appointment. Screenings are also available for kids entering Head Start programs and Kindergarten this fall. Call 348-7800.

## Ostomy support group to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, May 18 at 2 p.m. in the Private Dining Room of Mercy Hospital in Grayling. All ostomates and interested persons are invited to attend. For more information, call (989) 821-5721.

## Prayer sessions discontinued

The Intercessory Prayer meetings for peace and our troops, as well as for reconciliation and healing of all people and the world, originally scheduled for each Tuesday at noon in the Mercy Hospital Chapel, have been discontinued.

## Retired school personnel to meet

The first meeting of the season for the Roscommon Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (RARSP) will be held on Tuesday, May 20, at 9:45 a.m., at the United Methodist Church, located at 7059 West Houghton Lake Drive (M-55) in Houghton Lake. After a short business meeting, Roy Pentilla, Deputy Director of the Michigan Department of Treasury, will speak on the topic, "How Are Our Retirement Monies Invested?" Anyone who is currently working for, or who worked for a public school in the past, is welcome to attend. A luncheon will be served at 12 noon. Send reservations of \$7 made out to RARSP by May 16 to Charlotte Nagy, 9399 North Roscommon Road, Roscommon, MI 48653.

## African drums, dance coming to library

The Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library will play host to percussionist Kevin Collins on Wednesday, May 21 beginning at 4 p.m.

Collins will bring an impressive collection of traditional percussion instruments from Africa and teach everyone about African drums and dance. Learn what a DeJemba is and get a chance to play.

The library is located at 201 Plum Street in Grayling. For more information, call (989) 348-9214.

## The art and culture of trout fishing

The art and culture of trout fishing project consists of monthly programs on four weekend days in May, June, July and August of 2003 that highlight four major themes related to the Lovells Township Historical Society's exhibit, "The History of Trout Fishing on the North Branch of the AuSable River." The exhibit will remain on display at the Society's new log museum through Labor Day. The museum is open from noon to 3 p.m. every Saturday with extended hours on holidays.

The May 17 program, to be held from 10 a.m. to noon will focus on trout fishing rods and reels.

Speakers will be Glen Blackwood of the "Fly Fishing with Glen Blackwood" television show, who will discuss choosing the correct rods and reels for different trout fishing situations, and Wayne Cattanach, master bamboo rod

builder and author of *Handcrafting Bamboo Fly Rods*, who will give a lecture-demonstration.

The June 8 program from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. will deal with fly lines, leaders and fly casting while the July 12 program from 10 a.m. to noon will be a demonstration on tying traditional and contemporary AuSable flies. The final program on August 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. will feature artists and writers on trout art and literature.

All programs will be held at the Lovells Township Hall located at 8405 Twin Bridge Road. They are free and open to the public. The project is funded by a Michigan Arts and Cultural Affairs matching mini-grant.

For additional information, contact project director Roger Fechner at (517) 265-9561 or (989) 348-4880 or Darrell Fuller at 348-7951 or 348-9663.

## Square Dance Festival planned for May 16-18

The Northwest Michigan Spring Square and Round Dance Festival will be celebrating its 48th Annual Festival this year beginning at 6:45 p.m. on Friday, May 16 and continuing through 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 18 at St. Francis High School, 123 East 11th Street in Traverse City.

Nationally known square dance callers Randy Dougherty and Darryl McMillan will be featured, with round dance callers Bob and Kay Kurczewski.

Workshops will be held in the mornings and afternoons, both Saturday and Sunday, for the dancers, and dancing Friday and Saturday nights until 11 p.m. There will also be a dance on Sunday afternoon.

Square dancing is fun and people from all walks of life and all ages enjoy it. It is also very good physical activity. Square dancing is an international activity, and there are clubs in all parts of the world, however all square dancing is called in English.

Anyone interested is invited to come and observe the dancing and colorful outfits worn by the

dancers. At least 400 dancers are expected to participate in this year's event, sponsored by the Northwest Michigan Square and Round Dance Council.

Grayling Chapter #83 OES will be hosting a Salad Luncheon and Card Party on Wed., May 21, 2003 at 12 noon at the Masonic Temple next to the Rialto Theatre. Please join us. For more information call Elsie Jansen 348-5572

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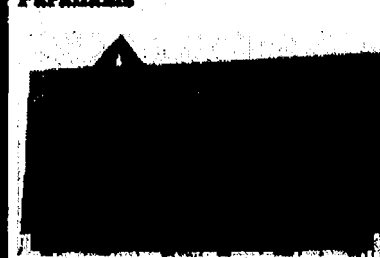
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# The Bible Speaks

## Sensible Values

Jeff Foxworthy made us laugh with his self-deprecating humor about rednecks. Perhaps someone could try Jeff's approach with leftist liberals? Here are a few quotes to consider. You might be a leftist liberal if you believe: All liberty celebrations in Iraq were staged; All weapons, suicide vests, etc. found in Iraq were planted by the CIA; The Bush administration planned and carried out 9/11 and the anthrax attacks; No terrorists crashed planes into the twin towers and Pentagon on 9/11; The POWs were all faked/staged to get public sympathy; All world problems are either a Zionist or Right Wing conspiracy; President Bush is an appointed President and is just as illegitimate and brutal a dictator as Saddam Hussein; Antiwar protesters are the United States' only true patriots; The "human shields" actually liberated Iraq and the coalition forces are taking the credit; Compromise always gains more than conflict; Conservative capitalists are the real evil in a good world; the media was only "imbedded" with our military to cover-up our evil acts of war, and Baghdad Bob, the Iraqi Information minister was the most honest political spokesman of the war.

Such unreasonable thinking would be humorous if our nation were not under attack. Michael Savage says, "liberalism is a dangerous mental disorder." Could this also explain the German throngs mesmerized by Hitler's oratory promoting a Third Reich? Could this explain how the ideas of Marx and Engels almost

gained control of the world in the 20th century? Could this explain the Humanist Manifesto 2000 as a blueprint for control of the world in the 21st century? The greatest danger we all face today concerns the war to control the human mind.

The Bible says a human being becomes a fool when he denies God. Psa. 14:1: "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good." The person God calls a fool denies the earth to be God's creation and the Bible to be God's revealed truth. A well known pastor once said, "When you mess with the Bible, God messes with your mind." God says it best in Rom. 1:21,22,28: "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient."

God tells us in 2 Tim. 1:7: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." We need to heed the words of God to Zerubbabel in Zech 4:6: "Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts." God tells us in 2 Tim. 2:15: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a

workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We should pray with the Psalmist in Psa. 119:80: "Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed." Remember Rom. 14:18: "For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God, and approved of men." May we never become like the men of Jer. 8:9: "The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in them?" That is why our national motto must always remain: "In God Is Our Trust." Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church. Website at <http://www.i2k.net/~cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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## Michelson Singers in concert May 16

The Michelson Singers, of Grayling, will present a pre-Vermont Concert in the sanctuary of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on Friday, May 16.

For its concert, the ten-voice ensemble will present much of the music they will be singing while on their concert tour to Stowe, VT. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and admission is \$5.

On June 3, the Michelson Singers will depart for an eight-day concert tour which will include stops in Toronto,

Stowe, the von Trapp Estate and Niagara Falls. The group was invited to Vermont for an international choral festival to be held there.

En route to Vermont, the singers will perform at Phil Collins Theatre in downtown Toronto, the home of the Famous People Players.

Additional seats are available for the tour to Vermont. Anyone interested in going with the singers should call director Howard Taylor at 348-5187 or Michelson Church at 348-2974.

## Tabernacle celebrates six years

Burning Bush Tabernacle will be celebrating its six-year anniversary on Sunday, May 18 with services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Evangelist Jason Holicki will be the guest speaker at each service, bringing messages to inspire and challenge concerning God's power and glory.

Dinner will be served after the morning service.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Pastor Petrie at 348-1278.

## Chorale scholarships help local musicians grow

The Mikenauk Chorale awarded scholarships to five area music students totaling more than \$1,000. Scholarship recipients are Danielle Babcock of Roscommon a vocalist who will study at Michigan State University; Amanda Davis a flutist and pianist from Merritt who will attend Wolverine Instrumental Band Camp; Cameron Kalthoff, a percussionist from Roscommon who will attend Alma College Percussion Camp; Kristin Bockelman a

trumpet player from Houghton Lake who will attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp and Rachel Peterson, a saxophonist from Roscommon who will also attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp.

President June Karjalainen said "It is really a pleasure for the Chorale to award these scholarships. The new ideas and experiences these students bring back help them grow and broaden their horizons and enrich their communities."

The scholarship fund was

established from the proceeds of the Chorale performances. Part of the Chorale's mission is to encourage, develop and nurture the talent of young artists. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, performance, future plans and teacher recommendation.

The Mikenauk Chorale is based in Roscommon.

Persons interested in joining the Chorale should contact Director Doug Armstead at (989) 821-3775.

## WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?

You might have heard the tale of the fisherman who drowned after falling from a rowboat. He implored God to save him, refusing repeated attempts of help from three frantic bystanders on the shore. "I have implored God to save me. I do not need your help," he stubbornly shouted to each one even as he gasped his last breath proceeding to disappear bubbling beneath the surface.

Upon entering heaven he incredulously asked, "God...why did you not save me?" God replied, "I sent not one, but three angels to save you and you refused their help. Where was your faith?"

We are promised in Deut. 31:8, "He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee; fear not, neither be dismayed."

God asked the fisherman a good question. Where is your faith? Do you know where to find it? Visit your local church or synagogue. Read God's Word and learn of His promises. He wants to help you live a more peaceful and joyous life. Won't you accept your Heavenly Father's love? Why not worship this week?

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Isaiah 40:1-11	Isaiah 40:12-31	Isaiah 41:1-10	Isaiah 41:11-20	Isaiah 42:1-17	Isaiah 43:1-13	Isaiah 43:14-28

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(989) 732-7001  
Sunday Service.....10:30 am  
April through October  
2nd & 4th Wednesday.....7 pm  
Sunday School.....10:30 am

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor Jeffrey Jaggars  
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974  
Website: [www.mmm-umc.org](http://www.mmm-umc.org)  
Barrier Free  
Sunday Worship.....8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School-  
Sept. - May  
Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School.....11 am  
(Childcare Available during 11:00 service)  
Bible Study (Wed).....10:30 am

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor Jeff Arthur  
Phone 989-275-1061  
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Camp AuSable off M-72 East  
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)  
Church Service.....9:30 am  
Saturday.....9:30 am  
Sabbath School.....10:30 am  
Prayer Meeting.....7 pm  
Tuesday.....7 pm

**Lovells Chapel**  
Pastor Rev. Gary Hopp  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Chapel Service.....11 am  
Wednesday  
Prayer Meeting.....7-8 pm

**Free Methodist**  
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor  
Daniel Baldermann-Associate Pastor  
6652 (M-72 W.) • 348-9093  
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Early Service.....8:30 am  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Service.....11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Adult and Youth  
Sunday School.....9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday.....7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Church 348-8885  
Parsonage 348-2588  
Sunday School.....9:30 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children.....7 pm

**The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message**  
Pastor Paul Rolfe  
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic  
Sunday  
Worship.....10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service.....7 pm

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
President David Page  
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord  
Sacrament.....10 am  
Sunday School.....11 am  
Primary.....11 am  
Priesthood.....12 noon  
Relief Society.....12 noon

**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Service &  
Children's Church.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting.....7 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
Appointed Pastor Victor Slayman  
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348-5224  
Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

**Community of Christ**  
Pastor Carol Stephan  
North Down River Rd. at  
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Church School.....9:45 am  
Preaching.....11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

**Friendship Church**  
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Rev. Dick Oberg, Pastor  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Tue. Women's Bible Study.....11 am  
Wed. Men's Bible Study.....12 noon

**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community**  
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Sabbath Eucharist  
Saturday Vigil Mass.....6 pm  
Sunday Masses.....8:00 am  
Family Mass.....10:00 am  
Scripture Study  
(Sundays).....9:15 am  
Daily Masses.....9:30 am  
Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
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Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

**Resurrection Life Church**  
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Wednesday.....7 pm  
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E-mail: [pastorjim@rlcnow.com](mailto:pastorjim@rlcnow.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
M-72 West  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Mid-Week Services  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

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Mid-Week Bible Study.....7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Lyle Studer  
211 Shellenbarger St.  
348-5325  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday  
Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor Terry Colby  
705 Madsen St. • Grayling  
348-2557  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday School.....9 am  
Sunday Service.....10 am

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Durfee  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
Pastor Fred Coates  
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Worship Service.....11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour and Prayer  
Wednesday.....7 pm

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Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

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## Students honored for high ACT scores

Eighth grade students from around the area were honored at the C.O.O.R. Talent Search Awards Banquet held May 6 at Roscommon High School.

Six students from Grayling Middle School were honored that evening for scoring a composite score of 20 or more on the ACT test, administered in February. These students include Glenn Hampton, Kelly Lange, Nick Parkinson, Robert Ramaswamy, Cory Shear, and Doug Slater.

The ACT test is usually taken by high school juniors and seniors. The four test subjects in the ACT battery include English, mathematics, reading, and science reasoning. Each test measures how well students can perform the skills necessary for college coursework.

Because these students scored a composite score of 20 or above, they will receive a \$400 scholarship to use toward an academic-based summer camp.

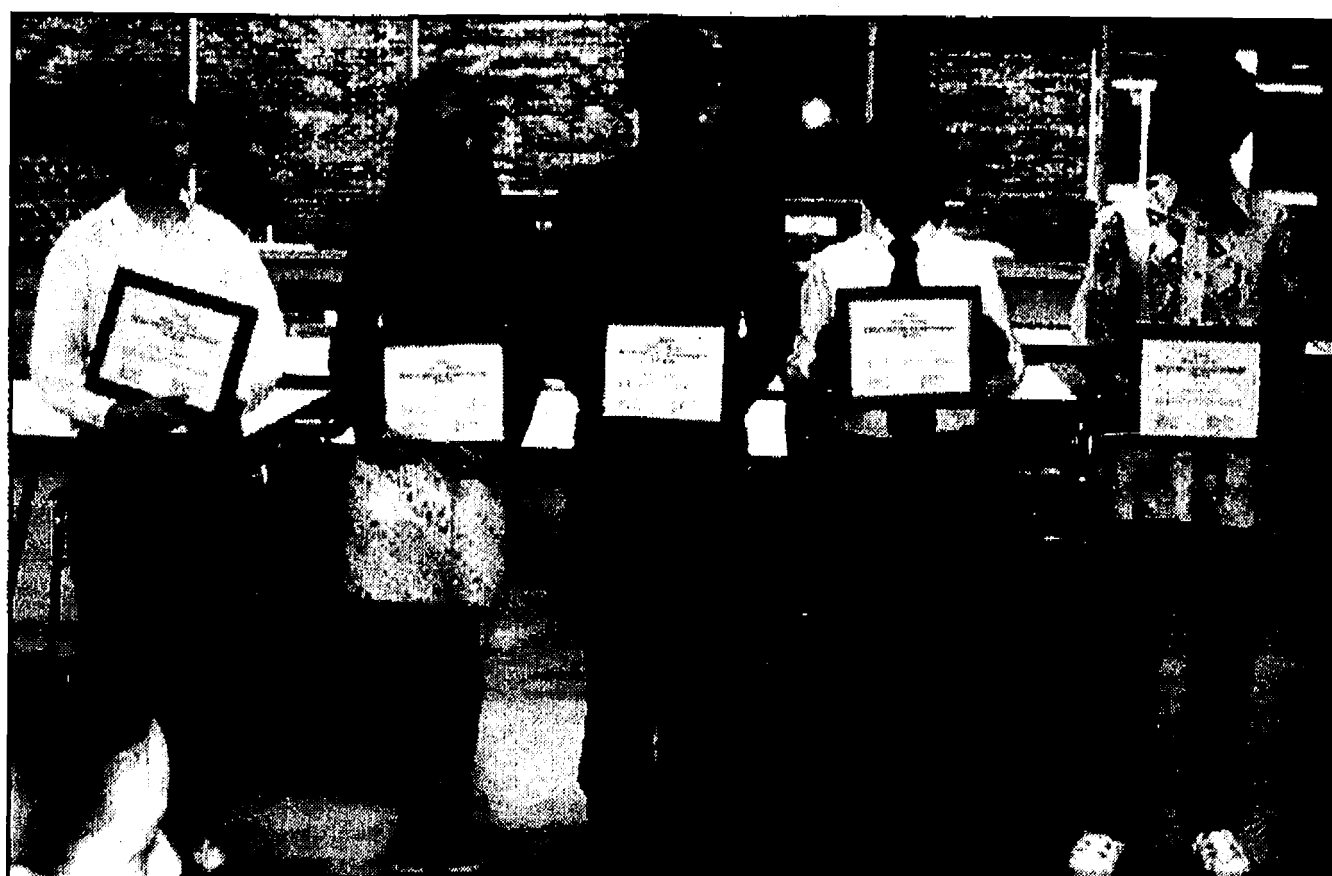


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Six Grayling Middle School 8th grade students were honored recently for scoring a composite score of 20 or above on the ACT test. They are Glenn Hampton, Kelly Lange, Nick Parkinson, Robert Ramaswamy, Cory Shear, and Doug Slater (not pictured).

## 7th graders explore careers



Seventh graders at Grayling Middle School got a chance to explore a variety of careers at the first Career Conference held at the Holiday Inn May 9. Various members of the local business community met with the students to answer their questions. The students are listening to Michigan State Police Forensics Lab Director Connie Swander discuss how everyday wear causes shoe patterns to become distinctive (above). Below, recruiter for the Michigan National Guard Master Sergeant Dan Ellis answers questions about military service.



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## Tours to see rare bird highlight Warbler Festival

by Danielle Sharow  
Kirtland Community College

Want to fix your eyes on one of the world's rarest birds? That's the whole point of the annual Kirtland's Warbler Festival, which draws serious birders from all over the country to the jack pine forests surrounding the college that took its name from the bird.

May 17 is a very busy and exciting day for Kirtland Community College, which is holding its 10th annual Warbler Festival. And the highlight of the day for many birders who travel hundreds or thousands of miles to the heart of Michigan's lower peninsula is the Warbler Tour led by wildlife biologists from any of several agencies working together to save the species.

One of them is retired DNR ornithologist Jerry Weinrich, who has led the tours through the region's jack pines since the opening of the Warbler Festival.

"We wanted people to have the opportunity to see the bird," he said.

And they do.

In one of the busiest tours in the event's history, more than 40 cars and about 150 people were led through the forest in the noon-hour tour. Even more people thought they might miss out on the tour, but a trolley used to get people around the festival came to the rescue, and took another 20 or so people out to the jack pines to complete the remarkable caravan.

Festival organizers take great pride in making sure everyone who attends the event has the opportunity to see the bird. And visitors seem to appreciate that. This year, Kirtland had inquiries



Kirtland's Warbler tour

from birders as far away as Texas, Chicago, Manhattan and Buffalo New York, and Anchorage, Alaska. No one will be left out.

To make things easier and a bit more organized, buses will be used in the tour this year, cutting down on the number of cars that will follow and allow more people to be able to listen to a tour guide who will be on the busses. Also, a third tour was scheduled, so the number of people on each won't be as large, making the process much easier and more enjoyable for all.

Tours this year will be held at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 11:30 a.m. Tour-goers meet near the KW Headquarters Tent and leave in a group from there to visit a nearby warbler management area, keep-

ing eyes and ears open for the endangered Kirtland Warbler. Those guiding the tour locate as many of the warblers as possible before heading out with the bird watchers in tow, and visitors have a 90 percent chance of spotting the world's rarest woodlands warbler.

Robert Hess, a retired DNR wildlife biologist and a festival organizer, has led nature tours. He said the best time to see the warbler is in the morning when they are most active and singing.

"The earlier, the better," he said, adding that seeing the bird is also very dependent on the weather. The warmer it is, the more active the birds will be. Last year, snowflakes fell on the May 18 festival, limiting viewing. However, most birders who

went on the tours were able to hear the Kirtland's Warbler.

Habitat management keeps the warbler's numbers up, but it also benefits many other species, and several other birds can be seen and heard on the tour as well, which adds to the experience for most birders.

And for those who can't make it to the May 17 KW Festival, or wish to take another tour, the U.S. Forest Service also holds daily tours through the jack pine areas from May 15 to July 4.

For more information about the USFS excursions, contact the Mio Ranger District office at (989) 826-3252.

(Danielle Sharow is a Journalism I student at Kirtland Community College.)

## Festival has plenty for kids of all ages

by Kane Madsen  
Kirtland Community College

Ever petted a kangaroo? Or went on a stroll with a 70-pound tortoise?

Kirtland Community College is giving kids of all ages the opportunity to do both — and a lot more — at the 10th Annual Kirtland Warbler Festival on Saturday, May 17.

The Whispering Pines Animal Kingdom will be on hand with a "zoo on wheels" with several different kinds of exotic animals. The company has more than 20 years of experience with exotic animals; each is hand fed from a baby and put into their kingdom.

They aren't exactly jack-pine ecosystem creatures, but organizers of the festival are betting it's something local families will really enjoy.

"Our goal is to make this event educational for everyone — especially the kids," said Jim Enger, chairman of the festival's organizing committee and marketing director of Kirtland Community College. "But everything we do



Birdhouse building

related to the Kirtland's Warbler Festival is designed to be fun, too."

And if children can't find any fun at this year's festival, well, they just might be lazy.

They can catch bluegill, perch and bass from a freshly-stocked pond near the Children's Activity

Tent, where they can build bird houses, get their faces painted and even get a temporary tattoo of a Kirtland's warbler.

Among the many other annual highlights is a rock hunt provided by the Mikenauk Rock and Gem Club.

New this year at the Festival is a juried art contest for K-8 students throughout the Kirtland district. Students create their art — all related somehow to the jack pine ecosystem — and winners will have their work featured in a calendar for next year's Kirtland's Warbler Festival.

Of course, like many others who travel great distances to the festival, kids can also take their parents into the forest for a chance to see one of the world's rarest birds. There's plenty to do — and all of it fun.

(Kane Madsen is a Journalism I student at Kirtland Community College.)

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David A. LaGattuta, MD, is a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. A graduate from the University of Michigan Medical School, Dr. LaGattuta completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Ohio State University. Dr. LaGattuta began practicing at Mercy Hospital Grayling in 1996.



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Vincent E. Schultz, MD, is a specialist in Family Practice and Obstetrics. A graduate of the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, Dr. Schultz completed his residency in Family Practice at Midland Family Practice and fellowship in Obstetrics in Tacoma, WA. Dr. Schultz joined Mercy Hospital Grayling in 2001.



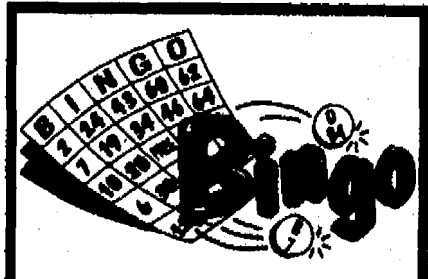
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## Prause elected Lions' District Governor

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Prause has been a member of the Grayling Lions Club for 27 years and is a Charter Member. He has served as President for five terms, 1st Vice President for five terms, 2nd Vice President for three terms, and 3rd Vice President for two terms.

Prause was named Lion of the Year for 1994-1995, a Tailwister for one term, Secretary for two terms and a Board Member for 23 years.

For 1985-1986, Prause served as the Zone Chairman for Region 3 Zone 2 and served as the Cabinet

Secretary-Treasurer for District 11 E-2 during 1986-1987.

He has served as Convention Chairman two times and has been a member of the Convention Committee seven times. Prause has served as Region Chairman for Region 3 District 11 E-2 for two terms, as Vice District Governor of District 11 E-2 for 2002-2003.

He has sponsored 30 Lions Club members.

Prause was the Melvin Jones Recipient from District 11 E-2 for 2000-2001 and received the International President's Certificate of Appreciation for 2002-2003.



Lions District Governor Robert Prause

## Arts & Humanities Touring Program includes locals

Michigan Humanities Council recently announced storyteller Howard Taylor and youth theater group Acting Up Theater Company, both of Grayling, are among the 256 performers and presenters recommended for listing in the 2003-2006 Michigan's Arts & Humanities Touring Program Directory.

In January, 55 experts in the various arts and humanities disciplines from across the state participated in reviewing and judging each of the more than 350 applications received.

Michigan's Arts & Humanities Touring Program, funded by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA), provides grants to nonprofit organizations to host live presenters -- musicians, storytellers, theater companies, speakers and dancers, and visual arts programs -- from the 2003-2006 Arts & Humanities Touring Directory.

Michigan Humanities Council, a nonprofit organiza-

tion, administers Michigan's Arts & Humanities Touring Program in partnership with MCACA.

Touring programs are hosted and sponsored by community schools, libraries, museums, festivals, art councils and other nonprofit organizations. Grants fall into two categories: those providing up to \$250 for programs whose fees and expenses are \$725 or less; and, larger grants up to 35 percent of fees and expenses when program costs exceed \$725.

The 2003-2006 Arts & Humanities Touring Directory will be available from Michigan Humanities Council beginning August 1 and will be distributed to about 30,000 individuals, schools, municipalities and nonprofit organizations throughout the state.

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## Casual clothes program helps local charities



NCACU employees show off their Casual for a Cause clothes. Back row (left to right): Kimberly Parriet, Diane Giska, Rhonda McNamara. Front row: Kay Lech, Diane Clough and Janet Varney-Small

North Central Area Credit Union's (NCACU) employees participate in a Casual for a Cause to help those in need in their communities.

Once every two weeks employees of the NCACU wear a NCACU polo shirt and khaki pants to work. They each make a \$2 donation which is matched by the Credit Union. At the end of each quarter, the staff at each of

their four locations (Grayling, Roscommon, Houghton Lake and Standish) donate the money to a local charity chosen by the group.

The staff at the Grayling branch of NCACU donated \$820 to the local Meals on Wheels program.

The employees enjoy wearing casual clothes and being able to help those in need of support in the community.

## Hospice golf outing planned for June 14

Team registration and sponsorship opportunities are open for the 6th annual Dick Dworzynski Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 14 at Burning Oaks Country Club in Higgins Lake.

Dworzynski, of Roscommon, died in January 1996 at age 52 of lung and brain cancer. Hospice of Michigan helped him enjoy his remaining days at home with his wife and three children. After his death, a group of friends decided to launch a golf tournament in his memory, to benefit other hospice patients.

In the past five years, this tournament has raised more than \$55,000 for Hospice of Michigan patients and families in Roscommon and Crawford counties. The funds are used to support Hospice of Michigan's commitment to "open access"

care for all who need it, regardless of age, diagnosis or ability to pay.

The four-person, 18-hole scramble costs \$50 per person, including golf, cart and lunch. Registrations are on a first-come, first-served basis and will be accepted until June 2.

The tournament features prizes for the lowest scores in men's, women's and mixed divisions, longest drive, longest putt, a hole in one contest and many door prizes.

Sponsorships are available at three levels: Platinum (\$500 and up), Gold (\$100 and up) and Silver (\$55 and up). Personal donations of any amount are welcome.

For more information or to register, call Robin Willis at (989) 821-8821 or Julie Peters at (989) 275-4992.

## MCACA offers free minigrant workshops

Region 19 Regranting Coordinator Peggy Diss announces free workshops to teach Michigan non-profit organizations about the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs' (MCACA) Regional Regranting Program

This program is for regional funding of arts and cultural projects through minigrants of up to \$4,000 per project. It is funded by the MCACA, an agency within the State of Michigan's Department of History, Arts and Libraries.

Organizations located in Alcona, Crawford, Iosco, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Roscommon Counties (Region 19) and interested in obtaining Minigrant guidelines, applications, and information, should

attend one of the following Minigrant Workshops. Registration is not required.

• Thursday, May 22, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, 201 Plum Street in Grayling.

• Saturday, May 31, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Richfield Township Library (Roscommon County), 1410 North St. Helen Road in St. Helen.

A follow-up meeting will be held, Wednesday, June 11, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the CRAFT Center in Roscommon.

Any questions about the workshops, including location of other meetings in the Region, may be directed to Minigrant Coordinator Peggy Diss, (989) 389-4255.

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## Dog show to benefit GRA

On May 2-3, the Backwoods Houndsmen Association - a local group - conducted a benefit hunt for Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) at Hanson Hills Recreation Area. The event was sanctioned by the United Kennel Club (UKC).

Howard Ervin, an employee of GRA and President of the Backwoods Houndsmen

Association, organized the two-day event that raised over \$800 for GRA - the governing body of Hanson Hills.

Approximately 200 people along with 60 dogs from all over the state of Michigan and Ohio competed in various skill events that included a bench show, water race, field trial, treeing competition, and a UKC night hunt.



Travis and Zachary Hunter of Grayling receive blue ribbons in the Kids Bench Show at the Backwoods Houndsmen Association's benefit hunt on Saturday, May 3, at Hanson Hills.



GRA Director Justin Andre presents Robert Bumstead with a first place trophy in the Bench Show competition at a recent dog show event at Hanson Hills. Over 200 people and 60 dogs participated, and over \$800 was raised for GRA.

## Matyns celebrate 40 years



Mr. and Mrs. George Matyn

Mr. and Mrs. George Matyn will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on May 18.

George and Rosalia Matyn were married at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Detroit on May 18, 1963. The couple honeymooned in Grayling at the

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## HOMETOWN NEWS

Gwendolyn (Penny) Solomonson announces the graduation of her daughter, Elizabeth A. Solomonson from Siena Heights University.

Elizabeth graduated from the master's program in community counseling/L.P.C. (Licensed Professional Counselor) with honors, having achieved a grade point average over 3.75.

Elizabeth holds her Bachelor of Arts degree from Siena

Heights University in Human Services, with an emphasis on Criminal Justice.

She is also a certified paralegal, having attended the American Institute for Paralegal Studies.

She plans to continue her education in a doctoral program for counseling/psychology.

Elizabeth lives in Tecumseh with her husband, John, and their daughter, Raven.

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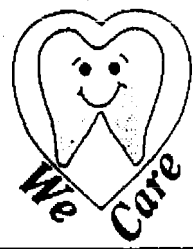
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Margaret was a former resident of Grayling and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling from 1958 to 1980. She attended St. Mary's Catholic Church in Defiance.

She is survived by her two sons, Dr. J. David Blaha of Ann Arbor and George Blaha of Troy; one brother, John C. Navin of Defiance; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Alice Navin; and brother, Thomas C. Navin.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, May 17, at St. Michael Catholic Church in Rural Defiance, Ohio. Father Tim Kummerer will officiate. Visitation will be held on Saturday, May 17 from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Burial will be at St. Michael Catholic Cemetery in Defiance County, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made to Seton Hill University in Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Arrangements by Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home, 529 Jefferson Avenue, Defiance, OH, 43512.

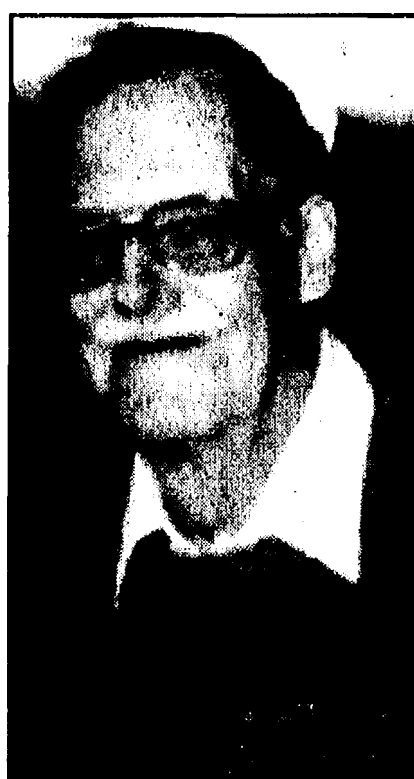
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**Roger Lawrence Kneff****April 13, 1916-Feb 3, 2003**

Roger Lawrence Kneff, age 86, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, died Monday, February 3 in Tulsa. He was born on April 13, 1916 in Grayling, to David and Dorothy Kneff.

Roger was married to Lucille Wheeler on June 22, 1939 in Ohio.

In 1942, Roger joined the Navy and served 3 1/2 years in the Pacific Theater at the height of World War II. After returning from the war, Roger resumed working as a carpenter. Later in his vocational life, he worked at Bear Archery in manufacturing and for the State of Michigan. Roger was instrumental in helping form a credit union in Grayling. He was a member of the Abundant Life Tabernacle in Grayling. He and Lucille made their full time home in Oklahoma three years ago.

In his earlier years, he enjoyed hunting and fishing, he loved to play pinochle and solitaire with his family, especially his wife, and he loved to study the Bible.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille Kneff of Davenport, OK; two daughters, Lynn (Jerry) Popenhagen of Tulsa, OK and Laurie (Wes) Argue of Davenport, OK; two sons, Larry (Sandy) Kneff of Grayling and David (Mary-Ann) Kneff of Tulsa, OK; nine grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren, all of Tulsa, Davenport and Grayling.

**Debbie Rugenstein****May 11, 2003**

Debbie Rugenstein, of Grayling, died Sunday, May 11 at her home.

Mrs. Rugenstein was a Paraprofessional for the Crawford AuSable School District.

She is survived by her husband, Ron Rugenstein; two daughters, Krystyna and Apryl; her mother, Mary Callewaert; one brother, William Blank; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Elmer Blank and her stepfather, Joseph Callewaert.

No services will be held.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society, Crawford County Unit, P.O. Box 350, Grayling, MI 49738.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 85 complaints the week of May 5-11:

Four traffic accidents, two non-traffic accidents, one traffic violations (civil infraction), six traffic policing, two traffic safety public appearances, one accident - all other, one motor vehicle inspection, four civil matter disputes - family trouble, three suspicious situations, three attempted suicides, 20 general non-criminal, two delinquent minors, one runaway, one valid alarm, three false alarm activation, one assault/intimidation/stalking, three burglary/home invasion, five larceny, one larceny from yards, two motor vehicle theft, one fraudulent activity, two damage to property, one family offense/abuse/neglect, two minor in possession/consume/purchase attempts, six public peace/disorderly, three miscellaneous criminal offense, two miscellaneous arrests, two driving violations/DWLS, etc.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are?"

For more information, log on to: [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

## Former adjutant general passes

Maj. Gen. John A. Johnston, the adjutant general of the Michigan National Guard from 1974 to 1983, passed away May 7 after a brief illness. He was 80 years old.

He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in September 1942 as an aviation cadet.

In 1959, he was appointed as the assistant adjutant general of Michigan while also serving as commander of the Michigan Air National Guard headquarters. In 1974, he was appointed as the first Air National Guard officer to serve as an adjutant general and in 1981 the Deputy Secretary of Defense appointed him to a three-year term on the Reserve Forces Policy Board. He retired in 1983 with 41 years of military service.

Johnston had 8,000 plus hours of flying time in 25 different types of aircraft. He earned the Distinguished Service Medal, Air Medal with 15 oak leaf clusters, the Purple Heart, and an additional 14 service-connected medals.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, four children, and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services, with military honors, were held in Lansing on May 10.

Donations in Maj. Gen. Johnston's memory may be made to the Greater Lansing Youth for Christ or the National Kidney Foundation.

## HONORS

**St. Olaf College**

Amanda J. Feby, of Grayling is among more than 1,500 students who were recognized for academic achievement at the college's annual Honors Day convocation on May 2.

Honors Day recognizes students who have achieved a grade-point average of 3.3 or higher.

The convocation also cites students who have won scholarships and fellowships.

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during May 14 - 20 is as follows:

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates: May 14-15; May 19-20.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Road, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Military maneuvers and small arms firing conducted: May 17, 2003.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek: May 14-20.

Range 15, located South of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Road and on the east by Carrier Road: May 16-18.

Range 17, Hand Grenade

Range located South of the main post, north of Carrier Road, east of Range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Road): May 16-18.

Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail: May 15-18.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Occasionally, the Post Commander without additional notice to the public may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

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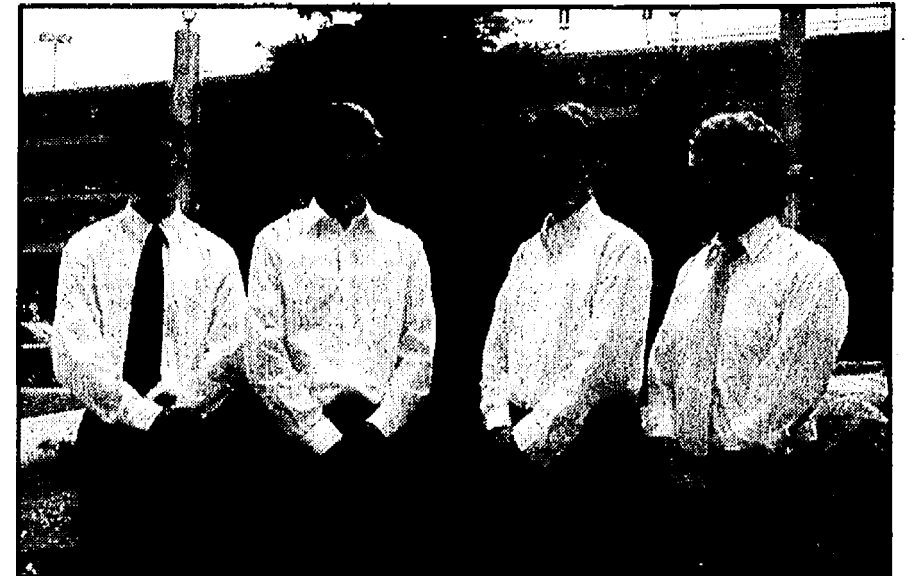
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## Local musicians play at MYAF

Jason Henning, Ken Heinlein, Todd Gaffke and Kip Franklin were among the select students invited to participate in the Michigan Youth Arts Festival (MYAF), a three day celebration of the arts, at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo May 8-10.

These four young musicians from Grayling were chosen for this prestigious group, dubbed to be "The Best of the Best," based on their proficiency scores from the State Solo and Ensemble festival held in March.

Henning played with the All-Michigan Honors Orchestra. Kip Franklin and Ken Heinlein were members of the All-Michigan Honors Band. Gaffke was named principal chair of the alto saxophone section of the All-Michigan Honors Band.



Jason Henning, Todd Gaffke, Kip Franklin and Ken Heinlein relax for a few minutes at the Michigan Youth Arts Festival.

Unique in the nation, the MYAF began over 40 years ago as a talent screening of young musicians. Today it is a compre-

hensive arts spectacular, culmination of a nine-month search for the finest artistic talent in Michigan high schools.

More than 60,000 students across the state become involved in the adjudication process that results in approximately 1,000 students being invited to participate in the Festival. Instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, creative writing, film/video and visual arts are performed and exhibited by highly gifted Michigan high school students.

Between performances, the students benefit from master classes, rehearsals and workshops led by professional artists and educators.

## HOMETOWN NEWS



Matt Seager

Grayling High School junior Matt Seager is spending this semester as a foreign exchange student in Wodonga, Australia, where he attends school year round, with breaks throughout the schedule.

Matt will return to Grayling in July.

He is the son of Chris and Steve Seager.

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## GMS names Students of the Month

Grayling Middle School named the following as Students of the Month for April. Back row (left to right): Matt McDonald, Patrick Belcher, Jon Denton, Jon Kane, Charlotte Savelio, Ali Ferrigan, Shentele Apps, Mike Rollins. Middle row: Arieal Lynch, John Zupko, Eric Ackerman, Alex Millar, Hailey McMahon, Tierra Evans, Kim Dougherty, Angela Bickman, Billy Weaver, Jamie Shaw. Front row: Cory Stout, Charlie Smith, Bruce Smith, Tiffany Davis, Liz Porter, Amber Dudock, Kayla May, Jimmy Osga, Ethan Tilson. Not pictured: Mary Annabel, Amanda Moran and Bridget Riehle.



Photo courtesy of Grayling Middle School

## Kirtland Police Academy honors 21 graduates

The Kirtland Regional Police Academy honored its 16th graduating class of 21, including three women, with commencement ceremonies on May 2.

Members of the Winter 2003 class are: Angela Ackley of Houghton Lake, Douglas Austin of Hudsonville, Stephen Bailey of Suttons Bay, Joshua Belanger of Clio, Haley Brown of

Petoskey, Kevin Bouwman of Muskegon, Larry Kahsin of St. Helen, Christopher Kuenzie of Roscommon, Scott McKenzie of Harrisville, Adam Mercer of Newaygo, Riley Olson of Mt. Pleasant, Russel Pahssen of Mt. Pleasant, N. Robert Reiling of Bay City, Kevin Scott of West Branch, Judith Steinbrink of St. Helen, Dustin Stempki of St. Ignace, James Vernier of Davison, Justin Walker of Flint, Michael White of Spruce, Erik Wien of Northport and Michael

Zeeb of Kingsford.

Cadet Wien was been elected as the class speaker.

The featured commencement speaker was Ottawa County Sheriff Gary A. Rosema, chair of the Michigan Commission On Law Enforcement.

Academy Director Jerry W. Boerema and Kirtland Community College President Dr. Charles Rorie also addressed the graduates.

Kirtland Academy training, both physical and mental, pro-

vides prospective law enforcement officers with the self-discipline, respect for authority, and attention to detail that are necessary for their safety and success later, on the job.

Kirtland cadets typically have a high success rate on the state certification exam, and 97 percent land jobs in their chosen field within a year after graduation. Kirtland graduates are proud of their ability to serve the public as professional law enforcement officers.

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## Frederic girl state finalist in pageant

Sirria Ann Martin, age eight, of Frederic, has been chosen as a State Finalist in the National American Miss Michigan Pageant to be held June 28 at the Hilton in Novi. The pageant is for girls ages seven through nine years.

Martin's activities include Most Promising Model, academic achievement and art contest. She also enjoys reading, rollerblading, and spending time with her family. She is sponsored by the Gaylord City Barbershop and Utility Contracting of Sparta.

The winner of the pageant will receive a \$1,000 cash award, the official crown and banner, a bouquet of roses and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at Disneyland in California.

Pageants are held in each state



Sirria Ann Martin

for girls ages four to 18, in five age groups.

Families interested in receiving information about this unique and outstanding youth program may visit [www.NationalAmericanMiss.com](http://www.NationalAmericanMiss.com).

The National American Miss pageants are for "Today's Girl" and "Tomorrow's Leaders." The pageant program is based on inner beauty, as well as poise, presentation, and offers an "All-

American spirit of fun for family, and friends." Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self-confidence, learning new skills, learning good attitudes about competition, and setting and achieving personal goals. The pageant seeks to recognize the accomplishments of each girl while encouraging her to set goals for the future.

Sirria Ann is the daughter of Melissa Martin of Frederic.

## Summer music camp offered

High school students can make the most of their summer vacation by participating in Central Michigan University's (CMU) 10th annual summer music camp. Space is still available.

The camp, scheduled for June

15-20, is open to high school age keyboard, string, woodwind, brass and percussion instrumentalists. Students will study with CMU faculty, perform in chamber ensembles, band and orchestra, study music technology and theory, and have the opportunity to take additional private lessons with CMU faculty.

The camp will be held on the campus of CMU in their state-of-the-art rehearsal and concert halls in the School of Music. Students stay in campus residence halls, eat in the dining commons and experience college life first hand.

The camp is offered by CMU's School of Music and the College of Extended Learning. Registrations must be made on or before May 22. For more information on summer music camps, call K. Schmittler (800) 950-1144, ext. 7141. Camp brochures can be downloaded at [www.cel.cmich.edu/music](http://www.cel.cmich.edu/music).

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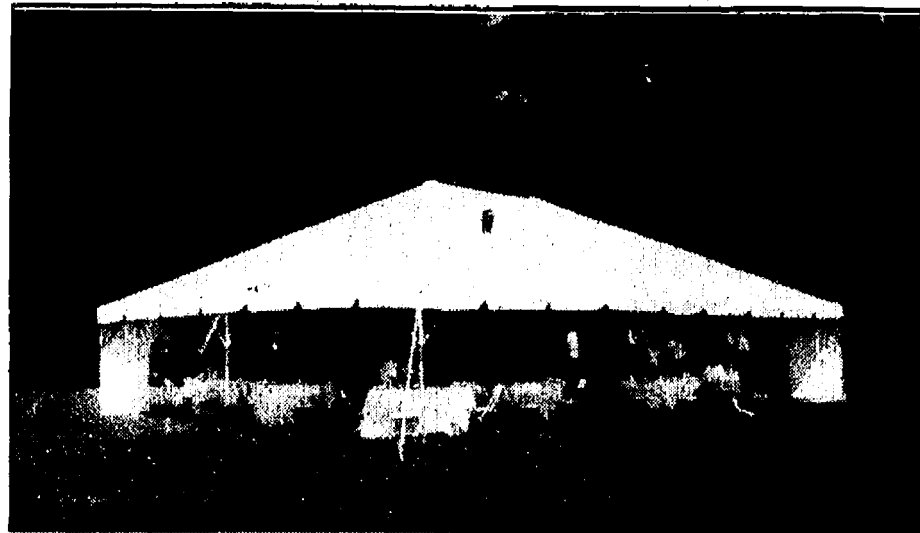
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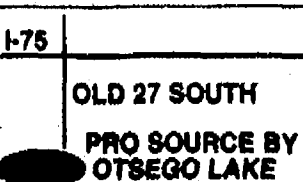
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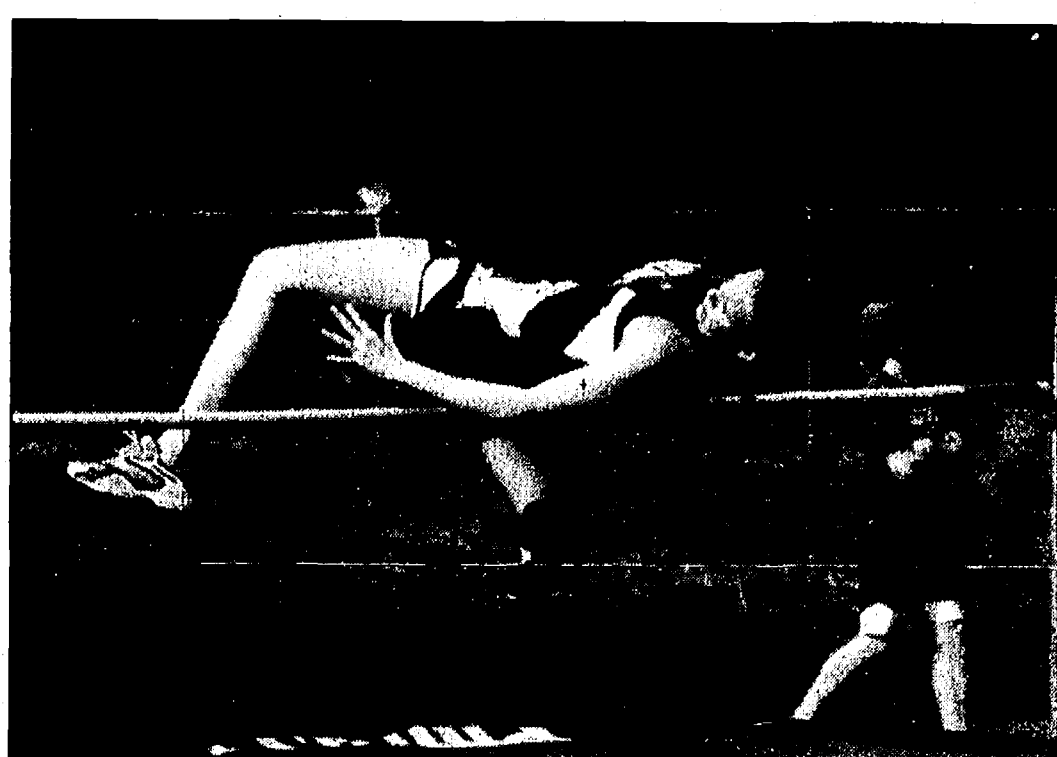


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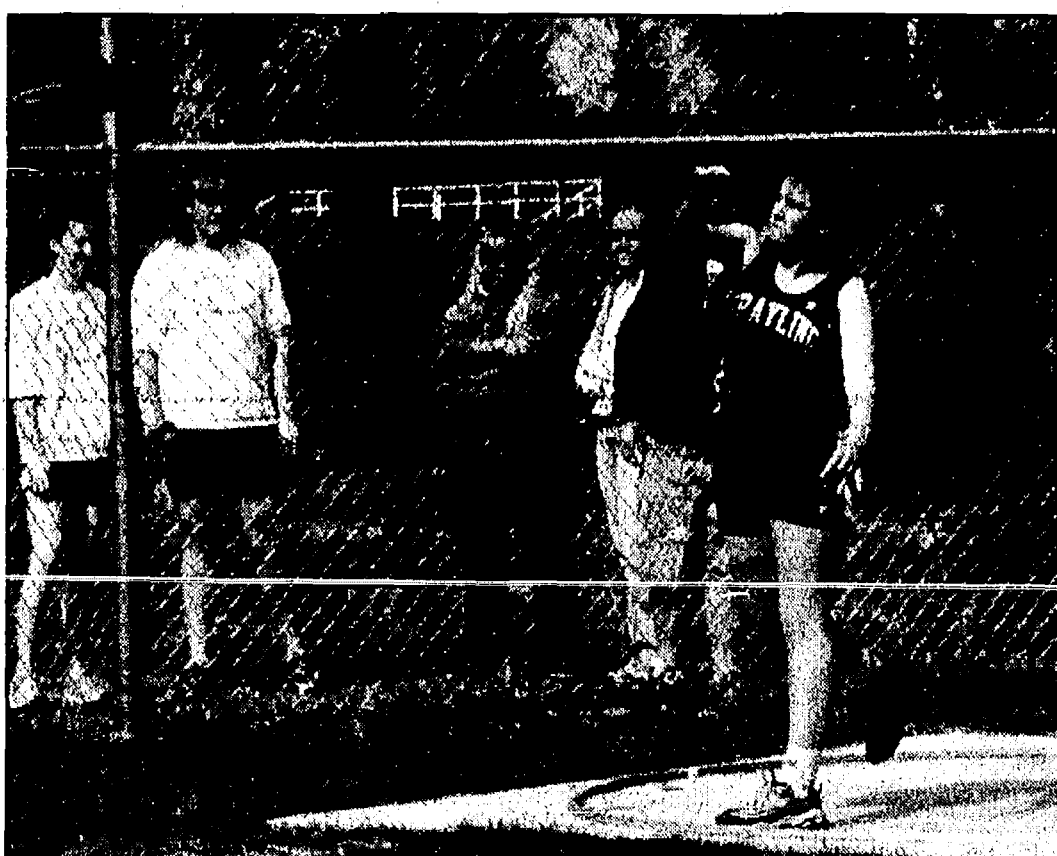
## Vikings host Braves

Grayling competes against Tawas in only meet at GHS



Photos by Caleb Casey

GHS track athlete Ashley Hawley clears the bar in the high jump competition at last week's varsity track and field meet in Grayling. Hawley placed first in the event with a jump of 4'9".



Jennifer Tozer takes a discus throw during the Grayling vs. Tawas track meet last Wednesday.



Vikings Chris Squire (left) and Pawel Wojcik (right) run a hurdles event at last Wednesday's meet vs. Tawas at Grayling High School. The meet was the first and only one scheduled to be held at GHS this season.



Tyler Cragg (left) and Eric Hunter (right) sprint during a dash event for Grayling in the meet vs. the Braves of Tawas.

## Varsity squad sweeps Harbor

Lange pitches no-hitter for GHS in game 2

► Baseball team wins at Harbor Springs 6-5, 9-0 in doubleheader

Grayling won both games of a varsity baseball doubleheader at Harbor Springs last Thursday, including a 9-0 victory in game two in which Viking pitcher Joe Lange threw a no-hitter.

GHS won the first game of the series 6-5.

Andy Strohpaal (2-1) was the winning pitcher for Grayling. He pitched out of a jam in relief, striking out two Harbor batters with the bases loaded in the fourth inning. Sophomore D.J. Metzger, the starting pitcher, left in the 4th inning with Grayling trailing 5-3. Two of Harbor's five runs were unearned.

Roy Czapek scored Grayling's first run with a homer in the second inning. Greg Morrill scored in the 4th inning on a grounder by Lee Schreiber after reaching base on a double.

Grayling scored twice in the 6th to win the game. Czapek singled, stole second base, and scored on a two-out single by Lange to tie the game at 5-5. Lange stole second and scored the go-ahead run on a single by Metzger.

Leading hitters for GHS in the match were: Czapek, 2 for 3 (with a homerun), 1 RBI; Lange, 2 for 3, 2 RBI; Morrill, 2 for 2 (two doubles); Metzger, 1 for 1, 1 RBI (the game winner).

The Vikings scored nine runs on 13 hits in game two and won 9-0.

Lange, a junior, pitched a no-hit shut-out for Grayling in the contest. It was his first victory as a varsity pitcher. He struck out seven and walked three.

Leading hitters for Grayling were: Metzger, 2 for 4 (with a homerun); Kaiser, 3 for 4; Czapek, 2 for 4, 1 RBI; Davis, 1 for 2, 3 RBI; Morrill, 1 for 4, 1 RBI; Strohpaal, 2 for 3, 1 RBI.

"The future looks bright for the Vikings with sophomores Ryan Davis, D.J. Metzger, and Gibson Tobin all on the field at the same time in game two," Coach Bob Gorski said. "Seniors Adam Kaiser and Chris Wakeley have shown strong leadership skills and have led by example."

Continued on Page 2B  
See "VARSITY SQUAD..."



Joe Lange

## JV Vikings sweep Panthers at Standish

► Baseball team wins 11-0, 9-4 at Standish Sterling Central

The GHS junior varsity baseball team won both games of a doubleheader at Standish Sterling Central last Tuesday.

The Vikings won game one 11-0.

For Grayling, pitcher Eli VanNuck threw a one-hit shut-out. He struck out five and walked two.

VanNuck and Gibson Tobin were the leading hitters for GHS in the contest. Tobin was 3 for 3 (with a double and a triple), with 3 runs scored, 3 RBI, and 3 stolen bases. VanNuck was 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored, 2 RBI, and 2 steals.

The team batted 10 for 22 (.455) with 8 RBI and 8 steals.

In game two, the Vikings batted .227 (5 for 22) in a 9-4 victory over the host Panthers.

Josh Hinkle, Tobin, Matt Swope, Adam Gilbert, and Alex McNamara each had a hit for Grayling.

Swope, the pitcher for GHS in the match, tossed a four-hitter. He walked one, struck out



The GHS junior varsity baseball team: (front, left to right) Zac Baker, Eli VanNuck, Gibson Tobin; (middle, left to right) T.J. Luke, Alex McNamara, Matt Swope, James Haven, Jason Strohpaal; (back, left to right) Coach Mike D'Amour, J.C. Schneider, Billy Stewart, Josh Hinkle, Bobby Starks, Russ Peters.

four, and surrendered only one earned run.

"We had two amazing pitching performances from Eli and Matt," Coach Travis Huber

said. "They both went out and threw strikes and got on top of batters. Our defense was also very strong behind the two of them."

"This was, by far, the best doubleheader we've played. Now that we know how well we are capable of playing our expectations for the rest of the

season are a little higher," Coach Huber said.

On Thursday, May 15, the Vikings will host Pinconning at 4 p.m.



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# Varsity squad sweeps Harbor

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On Tuesday, the Vikings lost two games of a doubleheader to Standish Sterling Central at GHS by scores of 8-1, 4-1.

In game one, Grayling scored its only run in the first inning. Kaiser scored it from second base on a single by Wakeley.

Davis, the pitcher, had a one-hitter going until the 4th inning. In the 4th, SSC scored four unearned runs on a walk, hit batsman, three errors, and a single and a double. Standish scored four more unearned runs in the 5th on a walk, a single, three errors, and a wild pitch.

Czapek pitched three scoreless innings in relief of Davis. He struck out five, walked one, and surrendered three hits.

Leading hitters for GHS in the match were: Kaiser, 1 for 3, 1 run scored; Wakeley, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; Strohpaal, 1 for 2, 2 steals.

In game two, Standish won 4-1.

Wakeley pitched all seven innings for GHS. He scattered seven hits over seven innings, struck out six, and walked three. "He pitched a strong game," Coach Gorski said.

The match was scoreless through two innings. SSC scored all four of its runs in the top of the 3rd inning. The Panthers scored three runs on a triple with the bases loaded and got one more with a suicide squeeze play.

The Vikings scored their only run in the bottom of the 7th inning. Czapek reached base on an error. Strohpaal walked. A sacrifice fly by Schreiber moved Czapek to third. He scored on a sac fly by Morrill. Metzger singled to put runners at first and third with two outs, but a strike-out ended the rally.

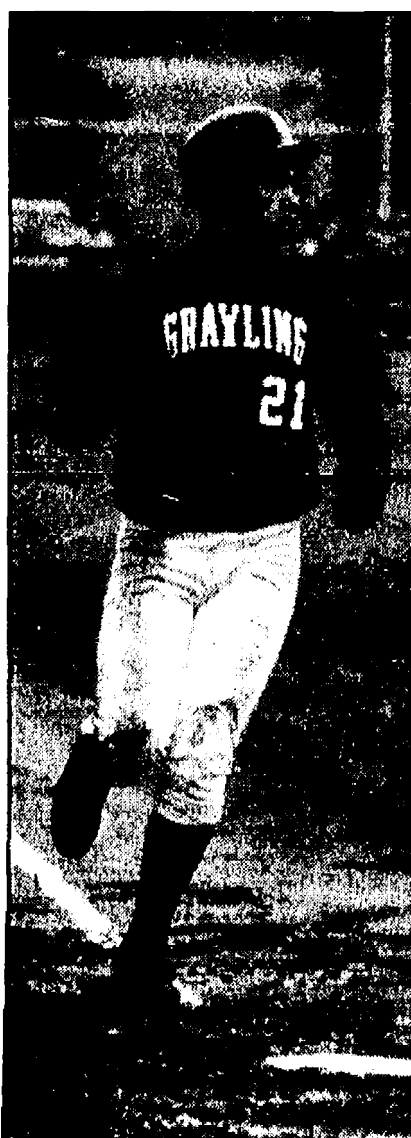
Leading hitters for GHS in game two were: Czapek, 1 for 3, Davis, 1 for 3; Metzger, 1 for 2, 2 walks; Morrill, 1 for 2, 1 RBI.

"The first half of the season saw the young and inexperienced Vikings post a 3-10-1 record. With an infield playing together for the first time, 27 errors, and 57 base on balls by the pitching staff did not make it conducive for a winning season," Coach Gorski said. "A .316 batting average has kept the Viking squad in 10 of the first 14 games. Being a very competitive bunch of athletes who have the character and mindset to win has made the battle to be successful fun."



Photos by Caleb Casey

Andy Strohpaal bunts for Grayling in the series vs. Standish last week.



Roy Czapek approaches home plate in game one of last Tuesday's doubleheader vs. SSC.

The two victories at Harbor Springs began the second half of the season for the Vikings.

The Vikings will host West Branch Ogemaw Heights at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20. On Thursday, May 22, the Vikings will host Bay City John Glenn at 4 p.m.



Ryan Davis delivers a pitch for Grayling in the Standish Sterling series last Tuesday.



Joe Lange puts the ball in play against Standish.

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Joe pitched a no-hitter in a 9-0 Grayling victory over Harbor Springs last week. At the plate, he was 3 for 6 with 2 RBI and 2 steals.

## Alumni Baseball Game set for May 24

All former Grayling High School baseball players are encouraged to participate in the upcoming 3rd Annual Grayling Vikings Alumni Baseball Game, which is scheduled for Saturday, May 24, at 1 p.m.

The format for this year's event will be different from the last two. If there are enough alumni players, the first game will feature graduates of even years vs. graduates of odd years. Following the first six-inning game, the annual homerun derby

will take place. The GHS varsity baseball squad will then play the winners of the first game.

The cost to participate will be \$20 per player, which will include a T-shirt. All proceeds will go directly to Grayling baseball.

Any players interested in playing this year should contact Coach Travis Huber at 344-7606 or (989) 710-0015.

Deadline to sign up will be May 22.

## GHS ALUMNI SPORTS NEWS

Brad Gorski, Glen Oaks Community College Baseball

Gorski, a 2001 Grayling High School graduate, recently completed his second season at Glen Oaks.

He was selected by GOCC's coaching staff as the recipient of the "Viking Award" - which is given to the sophomore that best exemplifies the student athlete and person the Vikings strive to be.

Gorski batted .388 in conference play this year. Overall, he finished the season with a .336 batting average with 3 home-runs, 9 stolen bases, 14 walks, and 4 hit-by-pitch. His on-base percentage was .485.

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# Soccer team hosts Braves, Owls

Grayling High School's varsity girls soccer team hosted both Tawas and Oscoda in conference match-ups last week.

On Monday, the Vikings lost to the Braves of Tawas by a final score of 8-0.

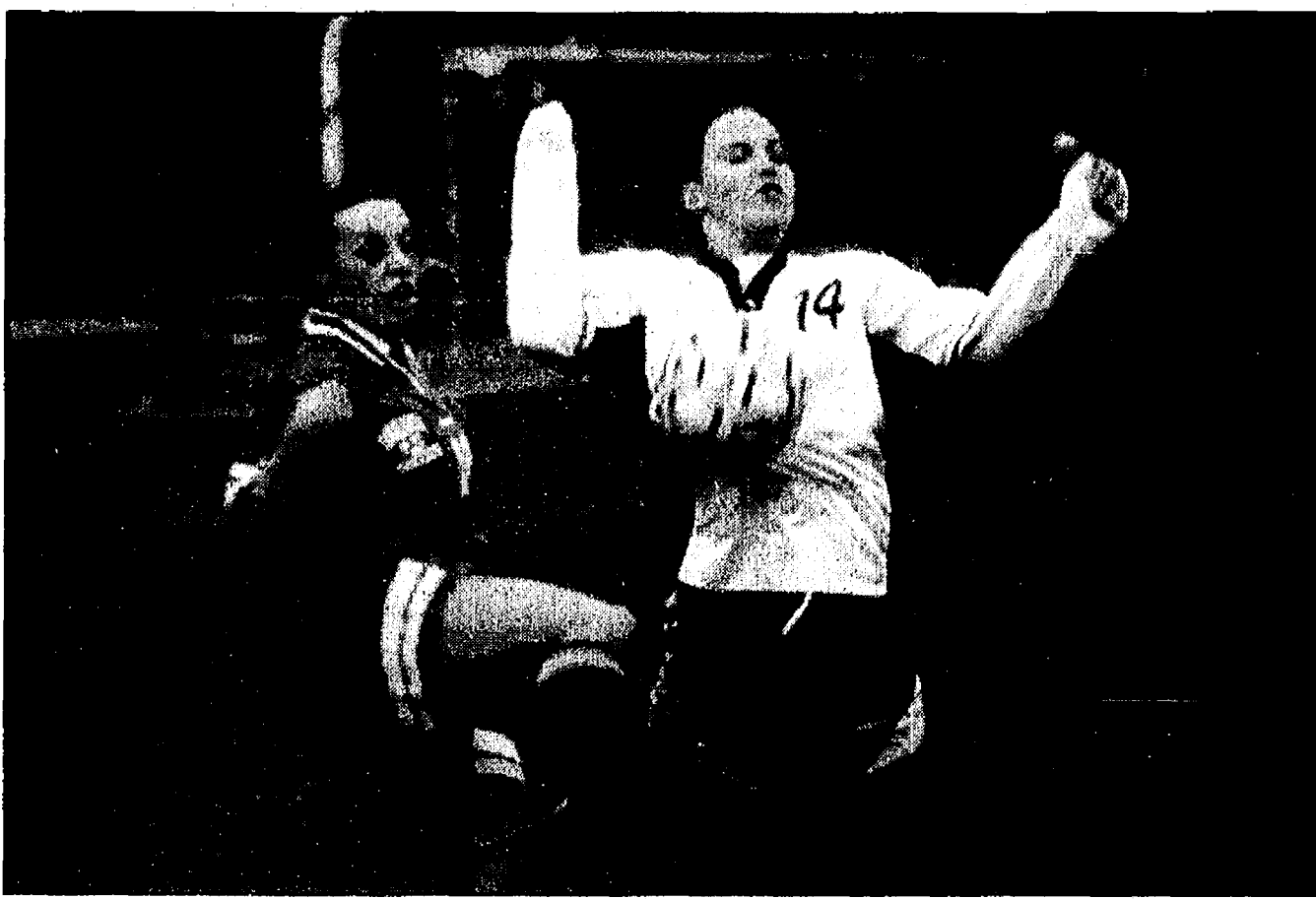
Grayling goalkeeper Ashley Bancroft had 31 saves in the contest.

"Grayling played well in the first half, keeping Tawas to three goals. The defense and midfielders did a great job keeping the ball away from the goal," Coach John Haven said. "In the second half, a very deep Tawas team took 23 shots on goal, scoring on five of them. They were able to pick apart our defense and have 10 different players take shots."

On Wednesday, the visiting Owls of Oscoda defeated GHS 8-0.

Bancroft and Jill Seager combined for 16 saves at the goalkeeper position for Grayling (Bancroft 12, Seager 4). On offense, Seager had two shots on goal and Monica Safin had one.

"The girls played very well today," Coach Haven said. "The ball stayed on our offensive end during much of the game. Michele Belcher and Monica



Photos by Caleb Casey

**Grayling defender Tracey Lewis deflects a ball in last Monday's game against the Braves of Tawas at GHS.**

Safin played tough defense at midfield and kept moving the ball to the forwards."

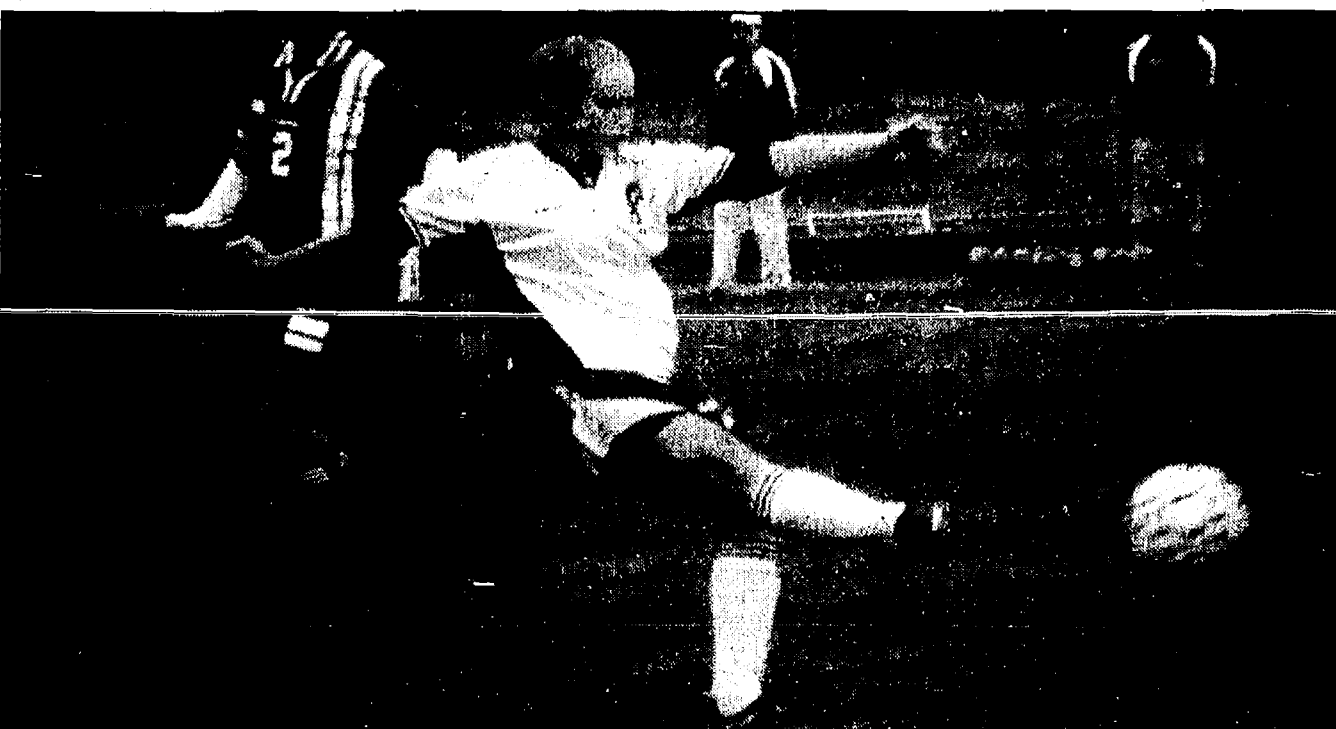
"Jill Seager split duties between forward and goalkeeper and did a great job. The entire defense did a great job easing

pressure on our keepers," Coach Haven said.

The Vikings will host Boyne City on Friday, May 16, at 5 p.m. The team will host Standish Sterling Central on Monday, May 19, at 5 p.m.



Grayling goalkeeper Ashley Bancroft makes a save in traffic in last week's game against Tawas.



Casey Mahaffy clears the ball for Grayling in the game vs. Tawas.

## GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

### Wednesday Ladies Golf League

by Donna Thomson  
**Wednesday Ladies League**

The organizational meeting for the Wednesday Ladies League was held on May 7 at 8:30 a.m. with about 30 gals present.

The meeting was called to order by President Mo McNamara. She introduced her board, which consists of Vice-President Evie Kent; Shirley Bendig, Secretary; Marilyn Hartman, Treasurer; Ilene Hatfield; Sally McNamara; and Shirley Schultz.

The golf committee this year is Deanne Weiss, Mary Hamblin, and Bev Zimmerman. Rules committee members are: Nancy Glaslee, Gloria Neilson, and Dorothy Walker.

We will have our annual "Rally for a Cure Day" on June 11, which will also be our guest day for the year. The event will be chaired by Shirley Bendig.

We decided to have at least one potluck this year and it will be on Presidents Day.

Our new Pro Shop Manager -

Rob Lawe - was welcomed and he gave a brief talk on signing in, bag tags, and a few new things being implemented this year.

Our clubhouse has had some wonderful renovations. Our fairways and greens are in great shape.

The sun is shining, so let the good times roll - or should I say let that "little white ball" roll.

After the meeting, about 20 of us went out and enjoyed this great day.

That's all "fore" now.

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## Football program to host dinner meeting

The Grayling High School football program will host a spaghetti dinner/meeting for the 2003 team's players and parents on Friday, May 23, at 6 p.m. at GHS. (The event is geared toward players and parents, but community members interested in the football program are also welcome, Coach Jason Mensing said.)

Participants must bring their own place settings.

The event is not a fund-raiser, but donations will be accepted, Coach Mensing said.

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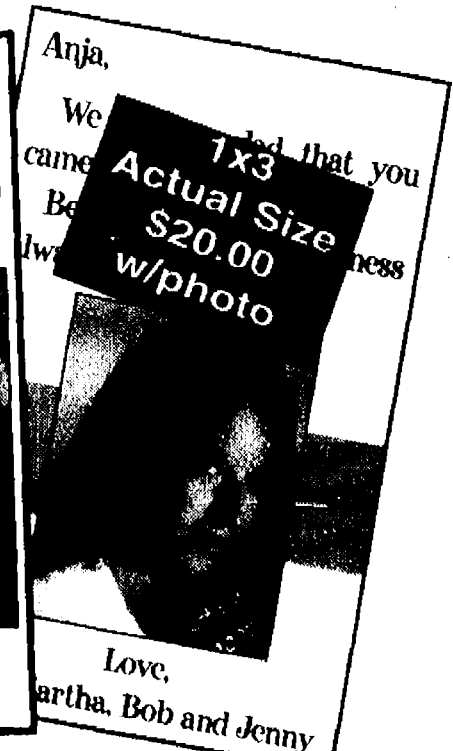
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## Boys track: Vikings host Braves

► Boys squad competes against Tawas, travels to East Jordan

The Grayling High School boys track team competed against Tawas – in the team's only home meet of the 2003 season – on Wednesday, and took part in the East Jordan Invitational last Thursday.

On Wednesday, the Vikings had one 1st place finish, seven 2nd places, and four 3rd place finishers. They were:

Shawn Gabriel, 1st, 800-meter run, 2:14.494;

Pawel Wojcik, 2nd, 110-meter hurdles, 19.307;

Chris Squire, 3rd, 110-meter hurdles, 21.504, 2nd, 300-meter hurdles, 49.116;

Tyler Cragg, 3rd, 100-meter dash, 11.909, 2nd, 400-meter dash, 56.588;

Reagan Schmidt, 2nd, 1600-meter run, 5:15.73, 2nd, 3200-meter run, 11:44.406;

Rich Ryan, 3rd, 300-meter hurdles, 51.01;

Michael Salyers, 3rd, 800-meter run, 2:19.827;

Tim Umlor, 2nd, discus, 116'6".

Final team scores for the meet were: Grayling 30, Tawas 98.

"Tawas won the league in 2002, and they came in and proved to us that they were league champions. The fellas still put on a good fight, they worked their hardest. All in all, they did a pretty good job," Coach Darnell Wilson said. "We had two injuries – Ryan Schmidt cut his hand in the long jump and got about seven stitches – but they came back and finished the track meet. That showed a lot of dedication."

Placements for Grayling in Thursday's East Jordan Invitational included:

Umlor, 6th, discus, 115'00";

Ryan Schmidt, 6th, long jump,



Shawn Gabriel hands the baton to Pawel Wojcik during a relay event at last week's track and field meet at Grayling High School.

18'03.25", 2nd, 300-meter hurdles, 44.55;

Wojcik, 6th, 110-meter hurdles, 19.00;

Cragg, 3rd, 100-meter dash, 11.97, 6th, 400-meter dash, 54.86;

Final team scores at the East Jordan Invitational were: Benzie Central 102; Charlevoix 98; Harbor Springs 92; Kalkaska 73; Central Lake 57; Boyne City 34; Elk Rapids 25; East Jordan 23; Grayling 20.

"A couple guys placed in the top three – that was pretty good. That's the first time that's happened (at the East Jordan Invitational) in the last few years. I felt really good about that. Overall, I felt we did a good job – an excellent job as far

as effort. They represented our team well and gave 100 percent," Coach Wilson said. "Our program is still showing signs of rebuilding."

The Vikings will compete in Regionals on Saturday.

"Our goal is to get as many kids in the state finals as we can," Coach Wilson said.



Tim Umlor throws the shot put for Grayling in last Wednesday's meet vs. Tawas.

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Reagan Schmidt competes in the 1600-meter run for Grayling.

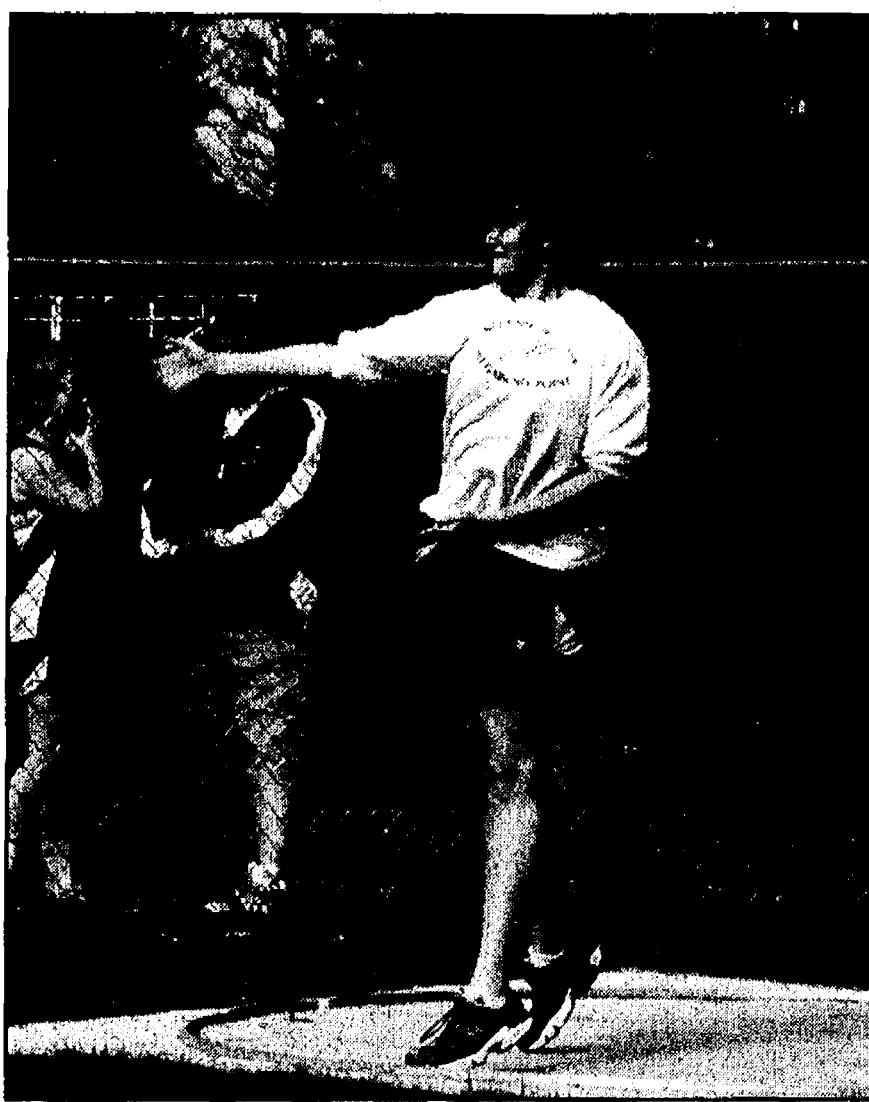


Michael Salyers runs in a relay race for GHS.





Jessica Green takes a leap at the long jump station during last Wednesday's meet vs. Tawas. Green won the long jump with a distance of 16 feet.



Mandy Czapek throws the discus in the track and field meet against the Braves of Tawas at GHS last week. Czapek placed 3rd in the discus event.

## Girls track: Vikings host Braves

► Grayling's girls track & field team wins four events versus Tawas

The GHS girls track team competed against the Braves of Tawas in Grayling's only home track meet of the 2003 season last Wednesday.

The Vikings won four events:

- Tracy Parkinson, 1st place, 100-meter hurdles;
- Jessica Green, 1st, long jump, 16'0";
- Ashley Hawley, 1st, high jump, 4'9";
- 400-meter relay team (Hawley, Jodi Riddle, Briea Frisbie, and Green, 1st, 58.056).

Other Viking placements that earned team points for GHS included:

Justine Tozer, 3rd, 100-meter hurdles, 19.908, 3rd, 300-meter hurdles, 56.635;  
Frisbie, 2nd, 100-meter dash, 14.240, 3rd, 200-meter dash, 30.088;  
Nichole Millar, 3rd, 400-meter dash, 1:22.815;  
Green, 2nd, 200-meter dash, 29.534;  
Mandy Czapek, 2nd, shot put, 26'3", 3rd, discus, 69'7.5";  
Riddle, 2nd, discus, 76'7.75".  
The final team scores were:



Tracy Parkinson (center) competes in the 100-meter hurdles event vs. Tawas at last Wednesday's meet in Grayling. Parkinson took 1st place in the event.

Photos by Caleb Casey

Grayling 37, Tawas 89.

"The girls ran well at home," Coach Heidi West said. "Jess Green is really coming on strong in long jump and the relay teams look good. We are looking forward to Regionals at Gaylord on Saturday."

On Thursday, the Vikings competed in the nine-team East Jordan Invitational track and field meet. GHS finished 8th in

team score.

For Grayling, Green placed 2nd in the long jump (15'5.5") and Parkinson took 3rd in the 100-meter hurdles (17.9).

"Tracy and Jess both put in a great effort on Thursday," Coach West said. "The meet was a good experience, especially for the younger girls. It gave them the chance to mix with some great competition."



Briea Frisbie (left) and Jodi Riddle (right) compete in a dash event for Grayling against Tawas.

## FISHING REPORT

**Rivers:** Walleye fishing on Lake Margrethe has been improving as the water temperatures increase. Try still drifting in 20-35 feet of water with leeches or crawlers. For pike, try still drifting with live sucker minnows. For bluegill, try fishing in 10-20 feet of water using wax-worms or wigglers.

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Anglers have been getting scattered walleye on Houghton Lake by trolling.

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**Lakes:** Good numbers of trout were caught last week. Trout fishing on the AuSable and Manistee has improved steadily

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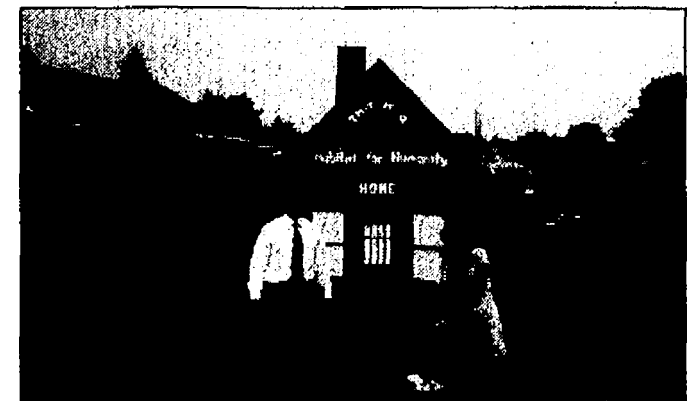
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## Softball team falls to Boyne, Oscoda

The GHS varsity softball team lost recent road matches to the Owls of Oscoda and Ramblers of Boyne City.

On May 1, the Vikings lost 15-0, 12-2 at Boyne City.

In game two, leading hitters for Grayling were: Kelly Duncley, 2 for 2, 1 RBI; Lexi Bondar, 1 for 2, 1 run scored; Patti Martella, 1 for 2, 1 run scored. "Martella is one of the fastest players I have ever coached. When she gets on base, she is almost certain to score," Coach Donna Boughner said.

On the mound, pitcher Chelsea Wolcott struck out four batters. On defense, catcher Emily Harvey threw a runner out at first base and Heather Metzger had a tag-out at third base.

On April 29, the team lost at Oscoda 16-6, 15-5.

Leading hitters for Grayling in the doubleheader were: (game one) Bondar, 2 for 3, 2 runs scored; Martella, 1 for 3, 2 runs scored; Harvey, 1 for 2, 1 run scored; Wolcott, 1 for 1; (game two) Martella, 1 for 3, 1 run scored; Bondar, 1 for 3, 2 runs scored; Duncley, 1 hit (a double) and 1 run scored. Harvey also scored a run in game two on an RBI by Skylynn Palmer.

On defense, Bondar - the center fielder - had a double play.

On Tuesday, May 20, the Vikings will host West Branch



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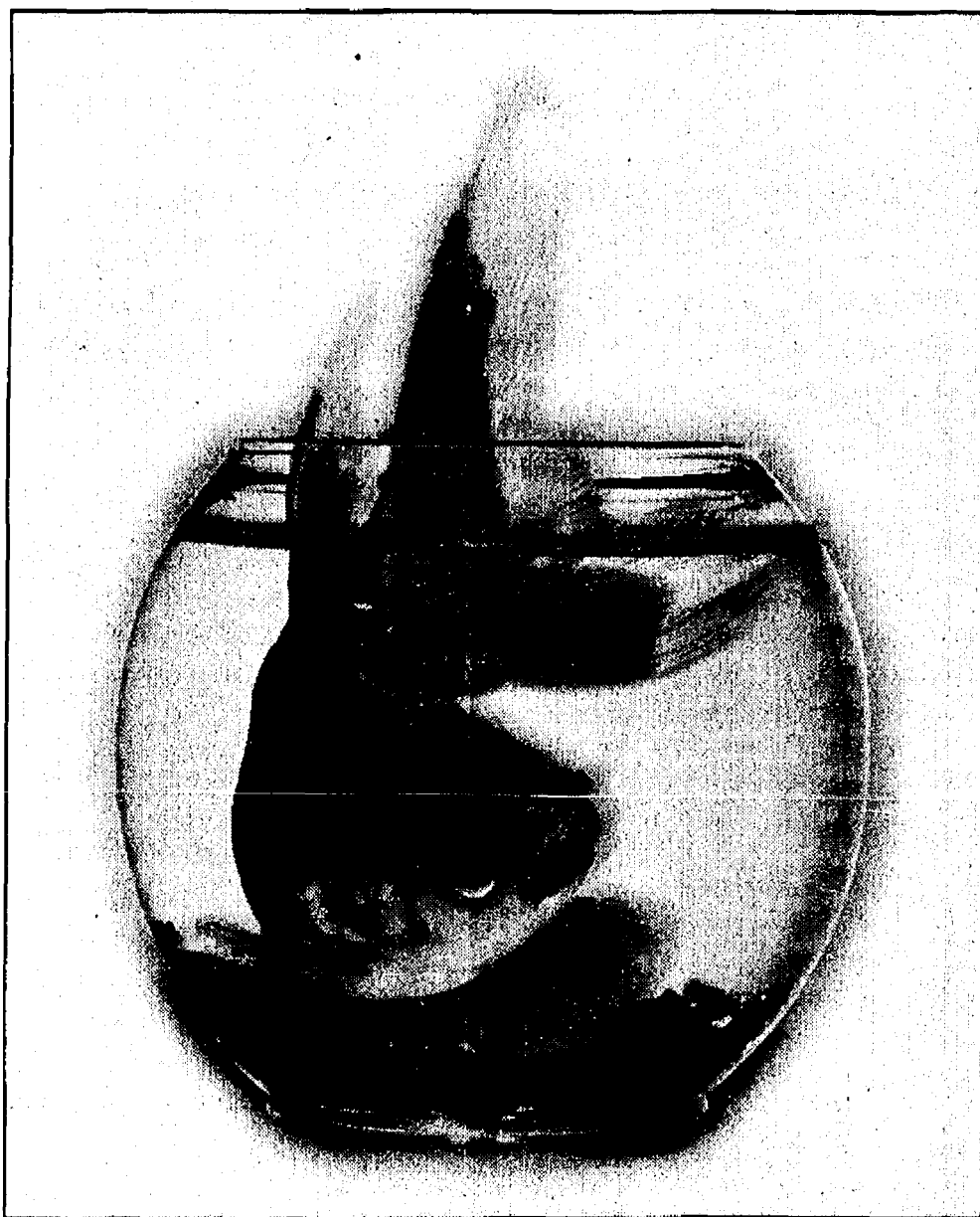
Catcher Emily Harvey throws to third base on a pick-off play in a game against Standish Sterling Central last week.

Ogemaw Heights at 4 p.m. The team will host Bay City John Glenn on Thursday, May 22, at 4 p.m.



Lexi Bondar bats for Grayling in the series vs. Standish last Tuesday.

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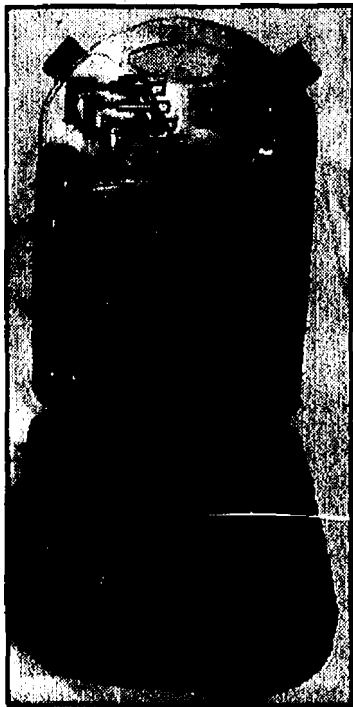


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# LEGAL ACTION

## RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2003  
Grayling, Michigan

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Wyman at 7:30 P.M.

II. Members Present: Wyman, Wellman, Hayes, Moshier, Palmer

Members Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Michele Moshier, City Clerk, Edward Elsner, Caleb Casey, Carl Lehto, Dough Meroney, Steve Langseth

III. Public Hearing.

None.

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda.

A. Fire Department Monthly Report for March 2003.

B. Letter to DMB dated April 1, 2003.

C. 911 Activity Report for March 2003.

D. Terry McGregor's letter of resignation from Park's Committee.

E. Police Department Monthly Report for March 2003.

F. Email from Jerry Keelan

G. Letter to Angie Camp at Grayling Elementary School

H. Letter from Gosling Czubak

I. Article from Michigan Municipal Review on Codification.

J. Letter from Wendy McIntire

K. Housing Commission Minutes from February 11, 2003.

03-75

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes that the Consent Agenda be approved as revised, taking item H to Old Business. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

V. Approval of Council Minutes

03-76

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman that the minutes of the meeting of March 31, 2003 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

03-77

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Wellman that the minutes of the special meeting of April 9, 2003 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

VI. Old Business.

A. Parks Committee still has two vacant seats to be filled.

B. An offer to purchase the Grayling Reel Pole Building by Randy Thompson was presented. Dale Overmeyer has the first right of refusal on this property. Consensus of the Council is to allow Jerry Hayes to contact someone to appraise the Grayling Reel Pole Building to find out what it is worth before making any decision. Will be brought back to another meeting with more information.

C. Spreadsheet from the City Treasurer with estimated annual costs of the Old City Hall building was discussed. Council would like for Allen Lowe, City Manager, to contact three local Realtors to get a Market Analysis on the property.

D. Building Update Report from Integrity Construction on the New City Hall.

E. Allen Lowe, City Manager walked the southerly five acres of the New City Hall property with Dave Stephenson. There is not enough good wood to pay him to chip the trees. He suggested that we only clear the land that we have an immediate use for.

F. We will have an Open House after the May 12th meeting. Michele Moshier, City Clerk will take care of the arrangements for Refreshments, Cookies, Cake and the invitations. Allen Lowe, City Manager will check on getting a portable billboard to put at the corner of North Down River Road and the Business Loop.

G. Bids for the Fire Station project will be opened on April 25, 2003. Citizens Bank presented the best offer for financing the Fire Station.

03-78

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to borrow \$510,000 with a 3-year balloon from Citizens Bank for the Fire Station. Roll Call Vote: Wyman: Nay, Wellman: Nay, Hayes: Aye, Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Nay, motion failed.

03-79

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Hayes to borrow up to 155,000 255,000 with a 3-year balloon from Citizens Bank for the Fire Station. Roll Call Vote: Wellman: Aye, Hayes: Aye, Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Aye, Wyman: Nay, motion carried.

H. Suzanne Kelley from Gosling Czubak will do the Planning Training after we move into the new building. Proposed dates for the training are for June 2, 2003 or June 16, 2003.

I. Old Furniture.

03-80

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Wellman to authorize Michele Moshier, City Clerk to sell the excess office furniture to the highest bidder. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

J. Allen suggested Part-time benefits as an Addendum to the Policy Manual. Council will look over.

K. Sewer-only Accounts.

03-81

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to hold a Public Hearing at the April 28, 2003 meeting concerning the proposed added language to Ordinance #25 Section 10, SPECIAL RATES, subsection. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

L. Letter from Gosling Czubak suggested that placing a concrete cap on the existing slab under the pavilion at the City Park is not a good idea. Gosling Czubak recommends investigating what is happening under the slab to see why there is a problem.

VII. New Business.

A. The City Manager presented his recommendations for the 2003-2004 Budget. The Budget Public Hearing will be scheduled for April 28, 2003 City

Council meeting.

B. The Compensation Commission met on April 9, 2003. They are recommending an increase of pay for each City Council Person to \$75 per meeting and an additional \$600 annually for the Mayor. The per diem for out of town meetings has also been increased to \$75 per day. The increases will take effect on the first meeting after the November election unless City Council rejects the proposal.

C. Edward Elsner from the Devereaux Library presented a list of suggestions from the suggestion box from the teen area in the library.

D. Doug Meroney represented GUDA requested to have the removable planters put back in the downtown area.

03-82

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Hayes to purchase 16 "Rosai" planters for the downtown area at \$525 each. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, motion carried.

Doug Meroney also expressed concerns about the shape condition of the streets after last year's paving.

E. Steve Langseth presented a final report on the Industrial Park.

F. The Planning Commission is recommending to the City Council to make the change in the Zoning Ordinance Map as requested.

03-83

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Wellman to approve the change in the Zoning Ordinance Map for making the West side of the Business Loop from the AuSable River to Charles Street and the East side of the Business Loop from Ingham Street to Charles Street from a Zoning of a R-1 District (Single Family Residential) to a C-3 District (Highway Commercial). Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0 motion carried.

03-84

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Hayes to hold a Public Hearing on May 27, 2003 at the City Council meeting regarding the proposed Sign ordinance. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

G. The Crawford AuSable Soccer Association is requesting the donation of the old cash register that the City is no longer using for their concession stand.

03-85

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Wellman to donate the old cash register that the City is no longer using to the Crawford AuSable Soccer Association. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

VIII. Citizens who wish to speak.

Carl Lehto from Gosling Czubak gave a report of current activities that they are working on with and for the City of Grayling as well as future planned activities.

03-86

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to extend the meeting past 9:30 P.M. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

IX. Reports from ZBA, Planning Committee, Parks Committee

ZBA:

•None.

Planning Commission:

•None.

Parks Committee:

•None.

X. Reports from Manager & City Members.

Manager Report:

•There will be a M-72 Corridor Committee meeting dealing with improvements on April 30, 2003.

Fred Fedak is interested in selling a portion of the parking lot at Shoppenagons. Allen will get more information for the next meeting.

Council Member Reports:

Hayes would like to have a letter sent to Terry McGregor thanking her for her time and effort on the Parks Committee.

Moshier shared a flow chart of what is left to do at the Industrial Park.

Palmer would like to have a maintenance plan looked in to for the City Streets.

IX. Adjournment

03-87

Moved by Moshier, Seconded by Palmer that the meeting be adjourned.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 PM

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Arthur Hurst and Madeline Marie Chase, as joint tenants (original mortgagors) to Centex Home Equity Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 2, 2001, and recorded on February 12, 2001 in Liber 528 on Page 484 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Four and 84/100 dollars (\$14,954.84), including interest at 14.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel 1: A parcel of Land located in the West ten acres of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, being further described as follows: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West along the North line of said Section 1155.66 feet for a point of beginning; Thence continuing North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West 163.63 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds East along the West 1/8 line 443.62 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 17 seconds East 163.63 feet; thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds West 443.70 feet to the point of beginning. Be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team F (248) 593-1313  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200226648  
Team F

-15-22-29-5

## Foreclosure Notice

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by James M. Adams and Darlene J. Adams married of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee

to Fifth Third Bank, successor-in-interest by merger to Old Kent Bank dated the 20th day of June, A.D. 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 30th day of June, A.D. 1997, in Liber 432 of Crawford Records, on page 488, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$23,290.36 (Twenty three thousand, Two hundred ninety dollars and thirty six cents) including interest there on at 8.00% (eight point zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of June, A.D. 2003, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The West 1/2 of Lot 46, McNamara's Valley No. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Tax ID: 20-064-541-000-090-01

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned, in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2003  
Wellman, Weinberg & Reis Co.  
L.P.A.  
Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgage  
Wellman, Weinberg & Reis Co.  
L.P.A.  
756 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820  
Troy, Michigan 48064  
WWR#02873412

-15-22-29-5-12

## TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN, OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice, sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the

Sheriff for the service and cost of publication of this notice. The service and publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND:

State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Parcel 1 Part of the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Sec 28 T25N R2W South Branch Twp, Comm at the E 1/4 cor of said Sec 28 th N 89d 18m W along the E & W 1/4 line 1646 ft to the pob th cont N 89d 18m W 329.20 ft th N 0d 04m 07s E 1329.24 ft to the N 1/8 line th S 89d 21m 20s E along the N 1/8 line 328.92 ft th S 0d 03m 26s W 1329.56 ft to the pob containing 10.04 ac. Also subject to & use of 66 ft rd & utility easement as recorded in L170 P120 & 121. Amount paid: 1995 taxes \$234.15, 1996 taxes \$242.33.

Amount necessary to redeem \$714.72 plus the fee of the sheriff, and the cost of legal publication.

Ronald and Joann McClain, 39463 Edgevale, Sterling Heights, MI 48313.

To: Lewis Sykes, last know address 16159 Sorrento, Detroit, MI 48235, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such land or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County, and to their heirs and assigns.

-15-22-29-5

## Legal Notice

RV & Maxi Storage, 2342 Industrial Street, Grayling, Michigan, will be selling the following units at auction on June 11, 2003, at 12:30 p.m.

Unit 20 - Rented to Betty Kunkel contains: Commercial freezer, furniture, 4-tray commercial serving bar, sewing machine cabinet, portable bar, misc. household items.

Notice is further given that items not claimed by June 10, 2003, will be sold at Auction, June 11, 2003.

Dated: May 2, 2003  
AuSable Investments  
P.O. Box 127  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(989) 348-6460

-08-15

## PUBLIC NOTICE TO RESIDENTS WITHIN 300 FEET

Frederic Township residents be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will be holding a public hearing on May 19, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the Frederic Township Hall. Located at 7564 C.R. 612, to hear the following case:

2003 ZBA 001 Owner: Quick-Sav Food Stores, Petitioner.  
6544 North Old 27  
Frederic, MI 49733  
Parcel #20-032-120-000-040-00

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to install gas pumps on the property located as listed above. Variance to install the gas pumps closer to the lot lines than Frederic Township Ordinance allows for commercial property.

2003 ZBA 002 Owner: Fred Holloway, Petitioner.  
669 Wendy Lane  
Grayling, MI 49738  
Parcel # 20-030-036-016-027-00

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to build a garage closer to the AuSable River than the Frederic Township Ordinance allows.

Tentative text and maps may be examined at the Frederic Township office during normal business hours.

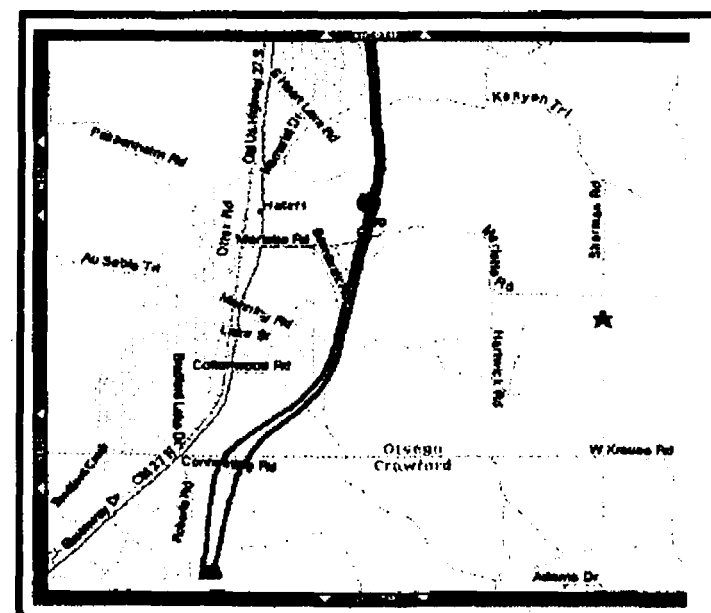
Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to Frederic Township Zoning Dept, P.O. Box 78, Frederic MI 49733 Telephone (989) 348-8840

Douglas Pratt  
Frederic Twp  
Zoning Administrator

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A CONSTRUCTION PERMIT MODIFICATION FOR THE CITY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. OF WATERS MUNICIPAL LANDFILL

Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, Section 11510(2)(b), provides for a notice of application for a construction permit for a solid waste disposal area.

On April 14, 2003, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) received a construction permit application from City Environmental Services Inc. of Waters (CESW) to expand the CESW Municipal Landfill (Landfill) vertically 35.1 acres and horizontally 51.3 acres to the east of the currently permitted landfill. The Landfill is located in Section 4, T28N, R3 Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, as shown on the map below.



On Thursday, May 29, 2003, at 6:30 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held at the Maple Forest Township Hall at 3996 North Sherman Road, Grayling, in order to take public comment on the application.

The application includes the following: Construction Permit Application Form, Documentation of Consistency with County Solid Waste Plan, Environmental Assessment, Engineering Report, Operations Plan, Closure/Post-Closure, Geotechnical Evaluation, Construction Quality Assurance Plan, Hydrogeological Report Addendum, Revised Hydrogeologic Monitoring Plan, Engineering Plans, and Landfill Gas Monitoring Plan. The proposed expansion will be constructed and maintained in accordance with the requirements of Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 P.A., as amended, and rules promulgated thereunder. The expansion will result in increasing the disposal capacity at the landfill from seven to thirty-eight years.

The complete application package may be reviewed at the Maple Forest Township Hall located at 3996 North Sherman Road, Grayling, and at the MDEQ, Waste and Hazardous Materials Division, Gaylord Field Office, 2100 West M-32, Gaylord, Michigan, 49735-9282, From 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, expect holidays (telephone number 989-731-4920)

Copies of the complete application package may be ordered from the Waste and Hazardous Materials Division, Gaylord Field Office, for the cost of reproduction upon request.

The MDEQ has until August 11, 2003 to make final decision on the construction permit application.

## MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY WASTE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DIVISION

## PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR LETTER OF INTEREST FROM INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE CRAWFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

All citizens are advised that the Crawford County Transportation Authority (CCTA) is soliciting letters of interest from individuals willing to serve on its Board of Directors.

Terms of office for members of the Board of Directors are Six (6) years. There is currently one seat on the Board of Directors the term of office for which will expire on June 30, 2003. Term limitations do not exist for members of the CCTA Board of Directors, and the individual currently holding that office, Ms. Ruth O'Mara, is eligible for reappointment.

The Board of Directors meets monthly. A primary responsibility of the Board of Directors is to establish the policies governing the business, operations, property and affairs of the CCTA. The Board of Directors additionally receives and reviews management reports for the purpose of monitoring policy compliance and program effectiveness.

All Board Members shall be over the age of eighteen (18) years, with no prior felony convictions.

In order for proposals to be considered they must be either post marked no later than Friday, May 23, 2003 or submitted directly to the CCTA administrative offices in a clearly labeled sealed envelope by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 26, 2003.

Questions or comments regarding this request for proposals are to be directed to Mr. David Frederick, Executive Director, Crawford County Transportation Authority whose office is located at the following address, or who may be reached at the following telephone number.

Crawford County Transportation Authority  
4276 West North Down River Road  
Grayling, Michigan 49738  
(989) 348-8215

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## LEGAL ACTION

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael L. Alma a married man and Cynthia A. Alma his wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 20, 1999, and recorded on May 13, 1999 in Liber 481 on Page 355 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated April 20, 1999, which was recorded on July 19, 1999, in Liber 486 on Page 290, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-One Thousand Fifty-Seven and 23/100 dollars (\$31,057.23), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on May 28, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: The North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of that part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, lying East of State Highway US-27. Also the North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of the West 659.43 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 24, 2003

For information, please call:  
Team X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200317471  
Team X

-24-01-08-15

### Paid Advertisement

A huge Corporation called Countrywide Home Loan is so huge that I cannot talk to the same person twice! And they laughed at me when I gave the name of the person that I last spoke to, and with laughter they said there are thousands of people that work there, and they could not possibly know who that person was. They have a mortgage literally only on the north portion of the house. The driveway and mailbox is not upon the mortgaged property. 4-17-03

Mortgage between holder of mortgage known as Countrywide Home Loan, Inc. and the assumer of faulted mortgage is

### NOTICE

Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc. is seeking proposals for the provision of substance abuse prevention services for July 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004 in the primary service area of Crawford County. For request for proposal packets please contact: Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., 1165 Elkview, Suite #1, P.O. Box 1278, Gaylord, MI 49734, (989) 732-1791.

A pre-proposal meeting will be held via conference call on Wednesday, May 14th at 9:00 a.m. Proposals are due to NMSAS no later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 29, 2003.

Federal and State funding has been provided to support in the project costs.

Rex Alma.

Due to a fault in the mortgage contract, I openly believe that no sealed bid should be allowed in the forthcoming mortgage foreclosure sale of the property known also as 4632 Old 27 North, Frederic (with the legal description shown in the accompanying mortgage foreclosure notice by Trott & Trott) due to the fact that the location of the home is not located entirely upon the premises of the mortgaged property description in the mortgage. The property lines are known by survey on record with Crawford County.

The first notice of foreclosure sale is in the April 24, 2003 issue of our local newspaper known as the Avalanche. On January 27, 2003 I notified Countrywide in writing: "I presently own the property which part of the house is located upon. This certainly jeopardizes or at least may virtually prevent the sale of the home and mortgage in any form of good faith and effort."

Despite endless hours of my talking on the phone and Faxes and letters too, Countrywide says it will not negotiate with me but say that Fannie Mae wants it's money! 4-24-03

Countrywide has contacted me upon April 28, 2003 and negotiations are in process. 5-01-03

Rex Alma, Frederic

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### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6626-DE  
Estate of Anthony Michael Jurkovich, Deceased, Date of birth: 03/07/83

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Anthony Michael Jurkovich, who lived at 1124 Ole Dam Road, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died June 19, 2000.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Johanna C. Jurkovich, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: May 6, 2003

Johanna C. Jurkovich  
1124 Ole Dam Road  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989-348-2920

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### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald B. Graham, an unmarried man (original mortgagors) to Rescue Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 16, 2000, and recorded on June 1, 2000 in Liber 509 on Page 51 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Citifinancial

Mortgage Company, Assignee by an assignment dated March 24, 2003, which was recorded on April 16, 2003, in Liber 628 on Page 581, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Two and 04/100 dollars (\$65,462.04), including interest at 10.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 7, Block 10, Original Plat of The Village (now city) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003

For information, please call:  
Team M (248) 593-1306  
Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200315652

-01-08-15-22

### Mortgage Sale

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify us at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis M. Bausman and Vicki L. Bausman, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Commonpoint Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated the 16th day of September, 1997 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 26th day of September, 1997 in Liber 438 of Crawford County Records, page 553, said mortgage having been assigned to The Bank of New York, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 30, 1997, Series 1997-D on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One & 91/100 (\$89,561.91), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of June, 2003 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.2500% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Situated in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford and in the Township of South Branch.  
Being Lot 69, and part of Lots 60, 61 and 62 of the recorded plat of River Forest, being part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, of Section 21, part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28, and part of the North 1/2 of section 29, all in T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of lot 69 for a point of beginning; Thence North 33 degrees 46' West 167.00 feet; Thence North 24, degrees 09' West 82.2 feet; Thence North

50 degrees 18' East 200.00 feet; Thence North 60 degrees 11' East 100.00 feet; Thence South 17 degrees 15' East 37.6 feet; Thence South 32 degrees 40' East 204.74 feet; Thence South 43 degrees 28' West 60.2 feet; Thence 190.5 feet along the Arc of a 9 degree 28' 30" curve to the right, the long chord of which bears South 52 degrees 29' 30" West 189.71 feet; Thence South 61 degrees 31' West 50.0 feet to the point of beginning.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: May 8, 2003

Fabrizio & Brook, P.C.  
Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)  
Attorney for the Bank of New York  
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470  
Troy, MI 48064  
248-362-2600  
The Bank of New York, Mortgagee

08-15-22-29-05

### Foreclosure Notice

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Fred E. Simpson, a single man to New Century Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 22, 2002 and recorded May 1, 2002 in Liber 579 on Page 607, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the Registered Holders of the ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2002-NCI, by assignment dated March 27, 2003 and received by and recorded in Crawford County Records on April 3, 2002, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty Four Thousand One Hundred Ninety and 88/100 Dollars (\$184,190.88), including interest at 6.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on May 21, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel B: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 645 feet to the place of beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 353.95 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 64 degrees 34 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 53 degrees 10 minutes West, 113.91 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 305.18 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West. Parcel C: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 745 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 305.18 feet; thence North 53 degrees 10 minutes East, 113.91 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 86 degrees 58 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 44 degrees West, 214.12 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 303.88 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 8, 2003

U.S. Bank National Association,  
as trustee, on behalf of the  
Registered Holders of the  
ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates  
Series 2002-NCI,  
Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates,  
P.C.  
36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 810  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(586) 795-4400 Ext 111  
Our File No: 03-13292

-17-24-01-08-15

### Mortgage Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian Calkins and Kim Calkins, husband and wife to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2000, and recorded on November 7, 2000, in Liber 522, on page 346 Crawford County Records Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy three thousand three hundred forty four and 57/100 Dollars (\$73,344.57), including interest at 9.990% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 27, Skyline Heights, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of plats, page 32, Crawford County Records.

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 4, Town 31 North, Range 7 West, thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds. East 657.09 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 87 degrees 14 minutes 2 seconds West 330.00 feet; thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds East 260.00 feet, thence South 88 degrees 11 minutes 58 seconds, East 330.05 feet to the East line of said Section 4, thence South 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds, West along the East line of said Section 4 to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003

Attorney For: Mortgagee  
Robert A. Tremain  
& Associates, P.C.  
401 South Old Woodward Avenue  
Suite 300  
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616  
For information please call:  
(248) 540-7701  
Bank One, N.A.  
Mortgagee

-01-08-15-22

### STATE OF MICHIGAN 46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT KALKASKA COUNTY PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF FRIEND OF THE COURT ANNUAL STATUTORY REVIEW PUBLIC NOTICE

Annual Review of Performance Record of the Friend of the Court

Under Michigan law the chief circuit judge annually reviews the performance record of the Friend of the Court. The review will be conducted on or about July 1, 2003. This review is limited by law to the following criteria: whether the Friend of the Court is guilty of misconduct, neglect of statutory duty, or failure to carry out the written orders of the court relative to a statutory duty; whether the

purposes of the Friend of the Court Act are being met; and whether the duties of the Friend of the Court are being carried out in a manner that reflects the needs of the community. Members of the public may submit written comments to the chief judge relating to these criteria. Send your written comments, with your name and address, to:

Honorable Alton T. Davis  
Chief Judge  
200 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738

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### NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED:

To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon, the Lands herein described, and to Thelma S. Cochran and to her unknown Husband, owners of last recorded title according to the Crawford County records, and to William D. Perry, Karen E. Perry, Marry Perry and their Unknown Spouses claiming ownership interest according to Crawford County records, and to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act in their own behalf.

**TAX NOTICE:** Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50 percent in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an Action, without other additional cost of charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for possession of the land.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:** State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Maple Forest, Town 28 North Range 3 West, Section 16, Parcel C: Comm at N 1/4 cor of Sec 16, th N 89deg 38min W 814.46 ft. to POB, the S 0deg 18min E 671 ft, th N 89deg 38min W 165 ft, the N 0deg 19min west 671 ft, th S 89deg 38min East 165 ft to POB. 2.54 acres 100% Parcel Number: 20-020-016-005-070-00 100%

DEED NUMBER: 516  
TAX FOR YEAR: 1996  
AMOUNT PAID: \$136.47  
AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM: \$204.71 (plus sheriff fees)

(signed) Farm and Forest Enterprises  
DBA of Collin K Burnett, P.O. Box 784,  
Saline, MI 48176

-15-22-29-5

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6624-DE  
Estate of Arthur Victor Carlson,  
Deceased, Date of birth: 09/03/23

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**  
The decedent, Arthur Victor Carlson, who lived at 801 Chestnut Street, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died April 5, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Julie Powers-Gehman, named Personal Representative or proposed Personal Representative, or to both the Crawford County Probate Court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named Personal Representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: May 6, 2003  
Ronald J. Kirkpatrick (P24887)  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
PLUNKETT & COONEY, P.C.  
123 West Main Street, Suite 302  
Gaylord, MI 49735  
(989) 732-6440  
Julie Powers-Gehman  
Personal Representative  
544 E.  
Petoskey  
Gaylord, MI 49735

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### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Grayling Township meeting room at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, to take public comment on the adoption of a new zoning ordinance, zoning map, and schedule of township fees.

If adopted by the Planning Commission, the new ordinance must then be sent to the Crawford County Planning Commission for their comments before final consideration by the Grayling Township Board of Trustees. Notice must then be published in the Crawford County Avalanche within fifteen days of final adoption. The new ordinance will take effect upon expiration of seven days after publication.

Copies of the new ordinance, map, and fee schedule, are available for reading at the township hall during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on Monday, May 26, for the Memorial Day observation.

The public is encouraged to attend.

Terry R. Wright  
Supervisor

### PUBLIC NOTICE TO RESIDENTS WITHIN 300 FEET

Frederic Township residents be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will be holding a public hearing on May 19, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the Frederic Township Hall. Located at 7564 C.R. 612, to hear the following case:

2003 ZBA 003 Owner: Ann Patterson, Petitioner.  
7119 West County Road 612  
Frederic, MI 49733  
Parcel #20-032-240-000-007-00

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to build an addition and garage closer to the rear property line than Frederic Township Ordinance allows.

Tentative text and maps may be examined at the Frederic Township office during normal business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to Frederic Township Zoning Dept, P.O. Box 78, Frederic MI 49733 Telephone (989) 348-8840

Douglas Pratt  
Frederic Twp  
Zoning Administrator

### SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP CLEAN UP DAY MAY 24, 2003 & SEPTEMBER 13, 2003 WASTE MANAGEMENT OF CENTRAL MICHIGAN CLEAN UP COLLECTION LIST

Waste management is pleased to offer the residents of the South Branch Township roll off service for their annual clean up. While we strive to provide superior customer satisfaction with this program, there are some items that we simply cannot dispose of in a solid waste landfill for environmental reasons.

**As a general rule clean up items include:**  
• Household furniture, including chairs, couches, mattresses and tables.

**Clean up items DO NOT include:**

- Any liquids including unsolidified paint, motor oil and antifreeze.
- Yard waste, leaves, or brush.
- Appliances containing Freon.
- Chemicals or other hazardous waste.
- Flammables and explosives.
- Dangerous items, such as gasoline or hot ashes, burning barrels.
- Car batteries and transmissions.
- Tires.
- Concrete, blocks, brick and stone - and all building material.
- Engine blocks other metal car parts.

**NO METAL OR BRUSH**  
This list is not all-inclusive.  
Pioneer and McMasters refuse sites  
MUST HAVE PERMIT TO ENTER



# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago  
May 15, 1980

Steve Sauve, who wrestled as a freshmen for Coach Don Ferguson's high school squad this season, battled his way into the National Freestyle Wrestling Tournament Finals.

Crawford County Clerk Leo Lovely swore in Sheriff Joe White at courthouse ceremonies on Friday. White will complete the unexpired term of Curt Haas, who resigned his post and moved to Florida.

The Grayling High School Counseling Department announced that Melissa Meldrum, daughter of Patricia and Duane Petrie has qualified as a National Merit Semifinalist. Melissa's score on this test places her among a very small number of outstanding students.

A formal Dedication Service is scheduled for this Sunday, followed by a Festival Service as members of the Mt. Hope Lutheran Church congregation celebrate the opening of their new facility located north of Grayling.

A 15 foot Sugar Maple tree was planted at the Crawford County Historical Museum Saturday in memory of the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church 100th Anniversary, now being celebrated by congregational members.

Gary Belknap received the 8th Annual 'Cribbage Tournament Trophy. He received the crown at Camp Grayling.

The Cub Scout Fathers beat the Deputy Sheriff's Association, 50-38. The game netted close to \$1,000 to be used for scout activities. Cub Scout Fathers accepting the trophy were Duane Cory, Steve Houlton, Howard Lehti, Bill Ellingboe, Fred Allen, Wayne Casler, Fred Wolcott, Jack Hull, Dave Sabin, John Millikin, Ross Argue and Mark Cook.

Eighty-three aircraft, all shapes and sizes, flew into Grayling's McNamara Field Sunday to participate in Kirtland Community College's 4th Annual Dawn Patrol.

The Grayling Middle School Girls' Track Team continued to show excellence as they defeated Gaylord, Inland Lakes and St. Ignace. The girls have yet to be defeated this year.

Northern National Bank President, Ted Kortess, announced that the grand opening of the new Northern National Bank located on the I-75 Business Loop will be held on May 23. The bank's book-keeping staff includes Shirley Johnson, Beth Trenary, Jim Paris and Dianne Tobin.

Mrs. Janet Dice held her students Spring Piano Recital at the Michelson Methodist Church. Students taking place were Paul Reinhardt, Karen Rauch, Gretchen Dice, Jennifer Naour, Ginger McEvers, Patrick Nunn, Paula Nunn, Leslie Fraser, Heather Stephenson, Wendy Williams, David Somerville, Andy LaGrow, Theresa McDonald and Angie Larson.

During the annual Girl Scout Recognition and Fly-Up planning meeting, Barbie Brooks, Crawford County Girl Scout Service Unit Director, received a special appreciation pin for her years of effort and leadership in Crawford County.

46 Years Ago  
May 16, 1957

The second annual AuSable Bowfishing Carnival drew nearly 200 archers into Grayling last weekend to compete in a shoot for suckers in the AuSable River. Largest of the suckers taken was a 21-inch weighing five pounds, shot by Bob Stowe of Atlanta.

Last Thursday evening the Grayling American Legion Post 106, took another step forward when they opened their bowling alley doors to the public with new A.M.F. automatic pin setters.

Six Grayling High trackmen qualified at the Regional track meet in Traverse City last Saturday, to compete in the State High School Track Meet at East Lansing this Saturday. Trackman who qualified were Dave Lowe, Duke LaMotte, Charles Garland, Ronnie Kellogg, Richard Moore and Larry Yoder.

Thirty-three students of the occupations class were taken to Midland to tour the Dow Chemical Company plant. They were given samples of saran wrap, aspirin, water softener and styrofoam, all products which Dow Chemical makes.

Showing this week at the Rialto is "Oklahoma" with Shirley Jones and Gordon McCrae.

69 Years Ago  
May 17, 1934

Grayling, like all other spots in

Michigan, got a taste of the dust storm last Thursday that prevailed in the Midwestern States. There was lots of dusting to do for several days following.

National Hospital Day was observed Saturday at Mercy Hospital with a tea. There was a small crowd visiting the hospital that day.

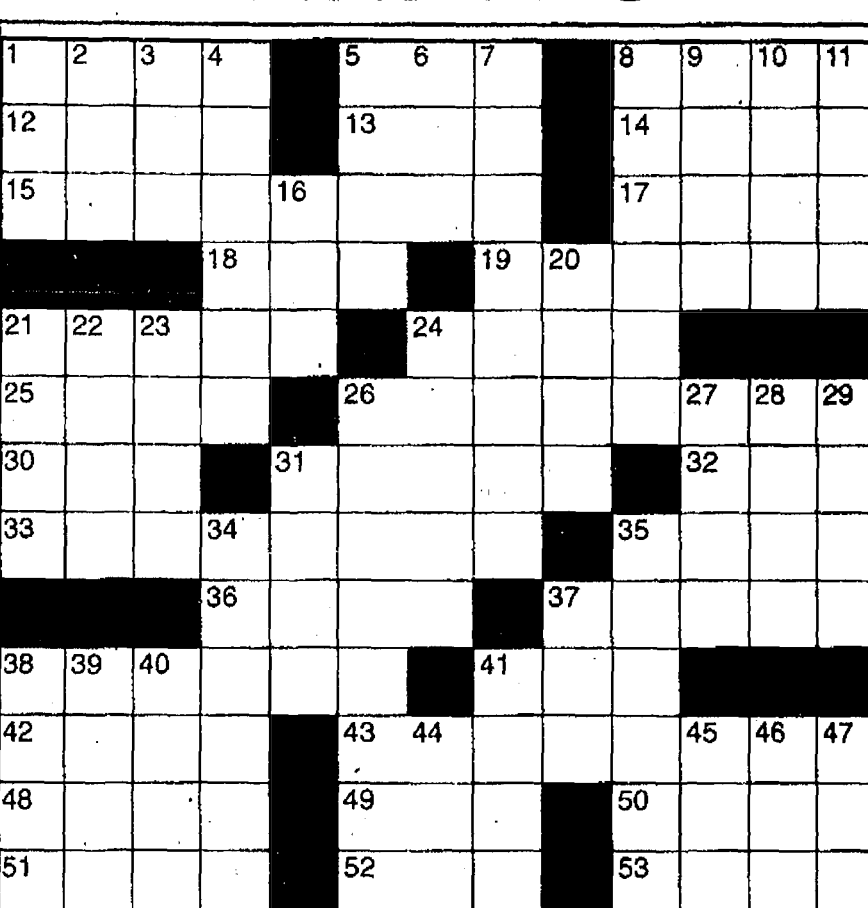
92 Years Ago  
May 18, 1911

C.W. Miller of Lovells sent down a two-year old root of Mammoth clover, which measured four feet in length which he pulled from the AuSable Ranch Company's meadow, on the so-called plains. A prime crop was cut from the land last season, and promises better.

The May payment of the Primary School fund to this county is \$7.00 per capita aggregating as follows: Grayling, \$4,452; South Branch, \$765; Frederic, \$1,547; Beaver Creek, \$477.60; Maple Forest, \$714.80. Total: \$7,646.60.

The new Grayling Hospital was dedicated Tuesday morning by Rt. Reverend Father Richter, Bishop of the Diocese of Grand Rapids. In the afternoon the cornerstone of the building was laid by Reverend Father Robert W. Brown, of Grand Rapids, after which, on account of inclement weather, the assembly led by the Citizens Band marched to the opera house. The building has been in use for the last month and already ten patients are being treated. It was erected by the subscriptions from men all over the county and was afterwards turned over to the Sisters of Mercy for their management.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Drunkard
5. San Diego attraction
8. Misters
12. Tycoon Onassis et. al.
13. Hockey legend
14. Malay dagger
15. Made void
17. Far or Down
18. Turkish general
19. Simple dresses
21. VP Agnew
24. Winter's Tale lord
25. Young goats
26. Slave
30. DDE's nickname
31. Dike
32. Cholera
33. Bothered
35. Emulate Schwarzenegger
36. Jungle sound
37. Begin's peaceful co-honoree
38. Form a recess
41. Shallow skillet
42. Daphne's surname on "Frasier"
43. Frozen formations
48. Among
49. Slangy head
51. Abrade
50. Snoods
52. Shaw's monogram
53. Remain behind

### DOWN

1. Fem. soldier
2. Lyricist Gershwin
3. Winter Of Artifice author
4. Madison and Levant
5. Novelist Emile
6. Galena, e.g.
7. Destined
8. Knitters' purchases
9. Ayatollah's land
10. Get up
11. Fast jets
16. Pride
20. Mineral vein
21. Omit
22. Walleyed fish
23. "Beware the \_\_\_\_\_ of March"
24. Seat of power in Delaware
26. Scolding
27. Cheddar designation
28. General vicinity
29. "The \_\_\_\_\_ Voice You Hear"
31. Actor Ames
34. Subjects for John Naisbitt
35. Bluffers
37. Weeping sound
38. "\_\_\_\_\_ Ordinary Man" (My Fair Lady) 2 wds.
39. Iditarod terminus
40. "Just \_\_\_\_\_" (Nike's slogan) 2 wds.
41. Arachnid creations
44. Short-legged horse
45. Cat's prey

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## Balsamic Chicken Salad

### Balsamic Mustard Dressing\*

4 3-ounce boneless, skinless chicken breast

- 1 large sweet onion, cut into 12 wedges
- 2 quarts mixed salad greens
- 2 cups Welch's Fresh (seedless) Grapes
- 2 tablespoons sliced fresh basil

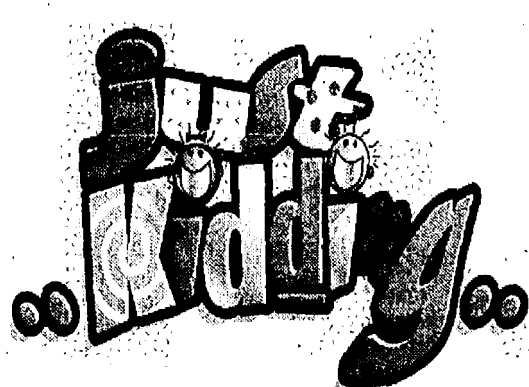
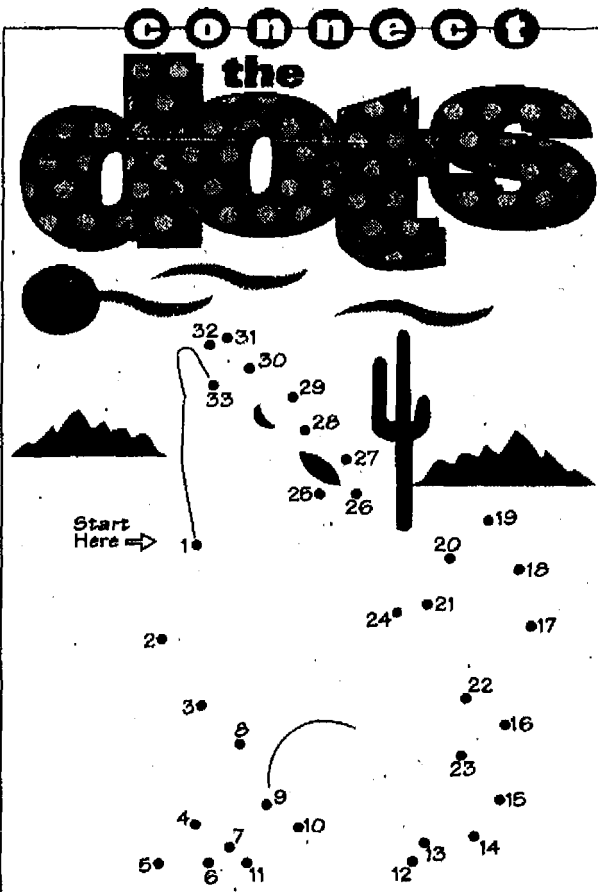
### \*Balsamic Mustard Dressing Preparation:

Combine 1/3 cup balsamic vinegar, 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard, 1/4 teaspoon each seasoned salt and sugar and 1/8 teaspoon ground pepper. Makes about 1/3 cup.

### Salad Preparation:

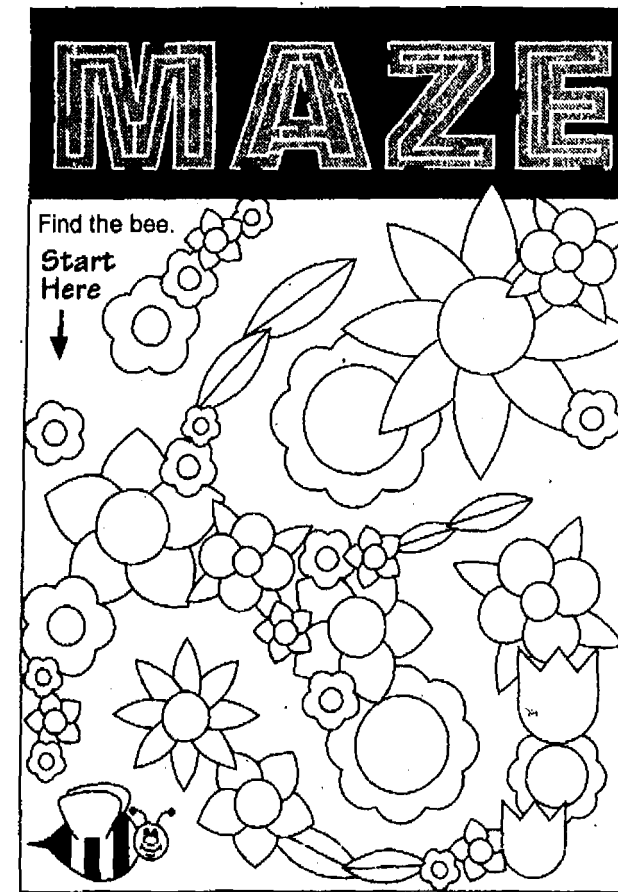
Pour 2 tablespoons Balsamic Mustard Dressing into a small bowl and brush chicken and onion wedges with it. Let brushed chicken and onion stand 5 minutes. Grill chicken until juices run clear. Grill onion wedges 3 to 5 minutes per side. Toss salad greens, grapes, grilled onion, basil and remaining Balsamic Mustard Dressing. Slice chicken and arrange over tossed green mixture. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition Analysis Per Serving: Calories 227; Protein 21.0g; Fat 3.3g; Calories from Fat 12%; Carbohydrate 30.6g; Cholesterol 47mg; Fiber 4.7g; Sodium 319mg.



## DID YOU KNOW

Titan, Saturn's largest moon, is the only moon in the solar system known to have an atmosphere of any substance.



## HOROSCOPES

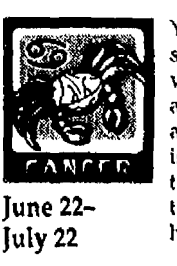
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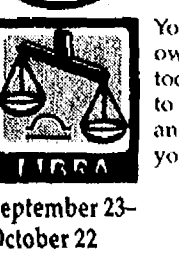
Trouble is brewing between coworkers. Now is not the time to get involved in a dispute or play mediator. Ignore the fight and focus on the projects at hand.  
December 22-January 19



A friend has hurt you. At some point you will have to decide if you can forgive them. Don't take forever, though. You have too many other things to do to let the situation drag on.  
March 21-April 19



You have great stamina, and you will certainly need it as you try to wrap up a project at work that is long overdue. Make the most of your free time now—it will be hard to come by.  
June 22-July 22



You've been in your own little world far too long. Reach out to family and friends and find out what you've been missing.  
September 23-October 22



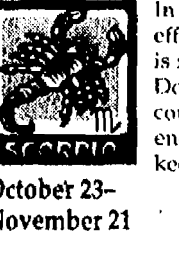
A series of computer glitches will cause you to lose important data. Don't let it get to you. Push past it and move on to more important things. An unusual package arrives in the mail.  
January 20-February 18



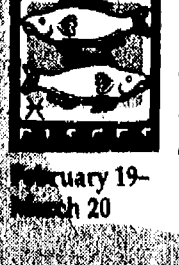
Opportunities abound; it's up to you to make the most of them. A family member snaps at you—don't be taken aback. They're in crisis mode.  
April 20-May 20



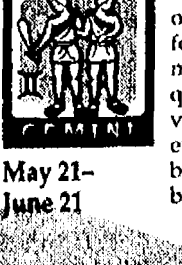
A few of your friends have told you that you let people walk all over you. Ignore them. You can be tough when you need to be, and that time may soon come.  
July 23-August 22



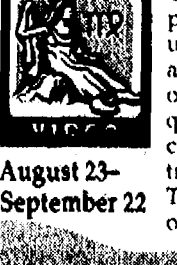
In spite of your best efforts, a friend's idea is not well received. Do your best to console them, and encourage them to keep trying.  
October 23-November 21



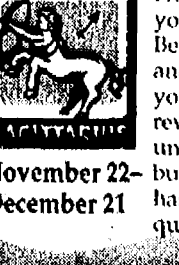
You're such a perfectionist! Don't let it get in the way of completing a home improvement project. You're on a tight deadline and it's too late to start over.  
February 19-March 20



A colleague's observation will force you to think and may even make you question some of your values. Consider everything carefully before making any big changes.  
May 21-June 21



You want the new position opening up at work, but attempting to outmaneuver a more qualified candidate could get you into trouble. Just wait. There will be other opportunities.  
August 23-September 22



Honesty should be your motto this week. Be true to yourself and everyone around you, and you will be rewarded in ways unimaginable. A business acquaintance has an important question.  
November 22-December 21

## Adopt a Pet



Cuddles is a very nice dog. She is housebroken, spayed, and up to date on all of her shots. She has been heartworm tested and is ready to find a new home. She is a 3 year old German Shepherd mix.

Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Winter was especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, and Wild Animal-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the Avalanche for either item.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at: 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling

Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 3 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast					
Date	H	L	Rain	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
5/07	49	41	.04						
5/08	65	40							
5/09	69	44	.03						
5/10	67	47	.71						
5/11	78	55							
5/12	62	39	.21						
5/13	42	37	.01						
	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High
	66	64	65	66	69	67			
	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
	42	43	44	45	43	46			
	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Showers	Partly Cloudy	Few Showers	Scattered Showers			



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### 1. Real Estate

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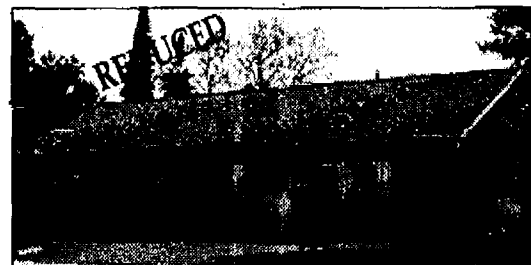
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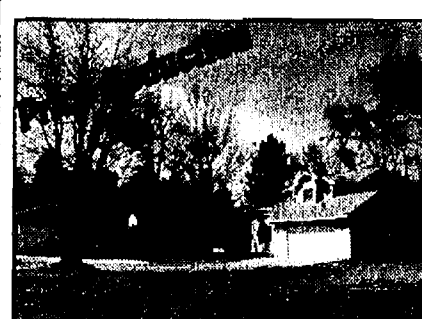
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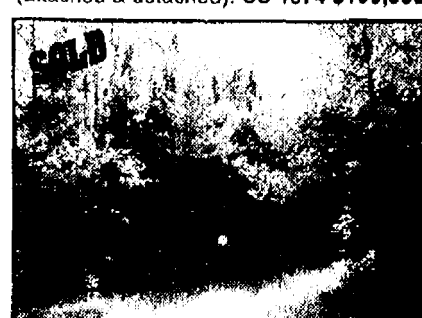
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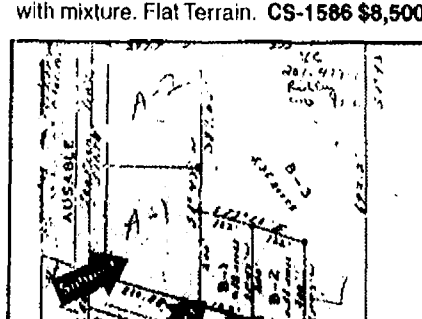
VICTORIAN HOME WITH TRADITIONAL ELEGANCE! 4 bedroom, 2 bath recently remodeled. New oak kitchen cabinets & appliances. Pergo floors. Formal dining area, large living room with fireplace, full basement. 2 car garage on double city lot. CS-1311 \$155,000



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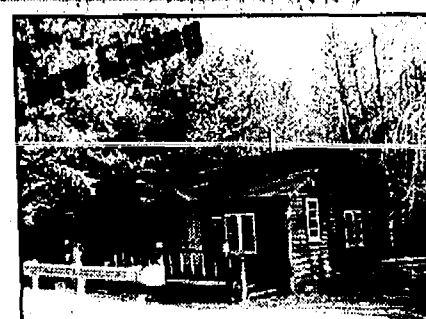
Above the Crowd!



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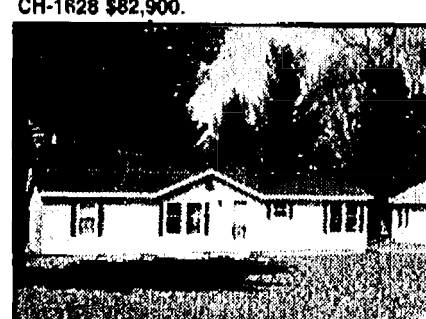
116' ON THE STURGEON RIVER!!! Neat and clean 374 SF, 1 bedroom full log cottage. Vaulted ceilings, 12 x 12 screened porch, wood stove, most furnishings included, out house on septic tank (no bathroom). Close access to Pigeon River State Forest, and Treetops Golf/Ski Resort. Great get-a-way. Must see to appreciate. CH-1742 \$53,900



PRIVATE ACCESS TO AUSABLE RIVER and close access to State Land, hunting and snowmobile trails. Very neat & clean 1,000 SF cottage, vaulted beamed ceiling, knotty pine interior, new carpet, split stone fireplace, open staircase, built-in gas grill, and sliding door onto 12 x 16 deck. Updated vinyl siding, replacement windows, and entry porch. Mostly furnished. CH-1745 \$62,500



COMPLETELY REMODELED HOME in the City of Grayling. Close to schools, hospital, and shopping. New plumbing, heating, roof and siding. 3 BR, 2 bath, full finished basement (egress window in basement BR), recess lighting, sliding door onto rear deck, six panel pine interior doors, and open staircase. 16x24 garage and fenced back yard. CH-1628 \$82,900.



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**GRAYLING HOLIDAY INN'S** Speakeasy Saloon live entertainment. Wednesday thru Saturday bands playing. May 7 - May 10 CP2, May 14 - May 17 CP2, May 21 - May 24 Live Entertainment. Happy Hour is back! 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. 25 oz. drafts, \$2; Bass Ale and Guinness Stout, 25 oz., \$5. (-8-15-22/8)

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#### 9. Personals

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90th Birthday  
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#### 7. Miscellaneous

### Reward For



Two family pets! Lost on May 10. Jessie, a female Yellow Lab, with white on her chest, and Jake a Black mix, looks like an Irish Setter. Last seen on Molly Lane. Please call! (989) 348-1708

#### 9. Personals

Look who has a birthday together May 15!



**Happy Birthday Grandpa & Morse "40"!**  
Love you from the Family & Kathy!



**May 14th**  
Oh my gosh can it be time for Steven Enos to be turning nine?  
**Happy Birthday Steven!**  
Love Mom, Dad & Jeff

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For all the love and dedication you have given us. Being taught by you has forever touched the hearts & minds of our children. We love you!

**UNLOADING GAS GENERATOR** Used once \$90 Antique Victrola, works good with 250 old-time records \$150. Old-time ice cream bench table \$75. Extension ladder - buggy wheels. Three gas masks with filter, garden tools, etc. 2262 Horseshoe Trail, eight miles from town. M-72 East/turn left. Sale May 17 and 18, open at 7:30 a.m. (-15/10)

**TWO FAMILY** Garage Sale May 16, 10:00 to 3:00, and May 17, 9:00 to 4:00 Baby items and boys clothes, newborn to size 6. Several other items too! Everything's very clean! 820 S. Roberts Rd. (-15/10)

**THREE FAMILY** Yard Sale May 16 and 17 9:00-4:00 2403 Sunset Strip. Lots of stuff. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** May 24, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. toys, baby items, books, some clothes, lots of miscellaneous. 3083 Babbitt, Maple Forest Township. Canceled if raining. (-15-22/10)

**GRAYLING RE-DO** Resale Shop Grand Closing Sale May 16-18, 9:00-5:00. 111 Vilas St. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** 5/15 from 12:00 to 5:00, 5/16 9:00-5:00, 5/17 9:00-11:00. Antiques, dishes, figurines, corner desk, cast iron pans, chair, saddle, roller blades, clothes, toys, books, etc. 4527 County Road 612 across from Maple Forest Cemetery. (-15/10)

**ANTIQUE GLASS** and Garage Sale. 1350 W. Federal Highway, Roscommon. One mile East of I-75, exit 244. Friday, May 23 - Monday, May 26. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-15-22/10)

**BOARDS & BEYOND SKATE SHOP** Going Out of Business Sale! 20% to 60% off storewide. Everything must go. Tuesday - Friday, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday 11:00 to 5:00. (-15/10)

**BABY & CHILDREN'S** clothes Bicycles, dinette table, prom dresses, size 9 and 10. 2115 Wales Ave., Grayling. Saturday, 8:00 to 2:00. (-15/10)

### 5th Annual Giant Garage Sale

Rotary Club of Grayling

**Saturday, May 17**  
9 to 5  
**Sunday, May 18**  
12 to 4

**J.J.'s Motor Mall**  
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#### 10. Garage Sale

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**GARAGE SALE** Friday May 16, 12:00-5:00. Saturday, May 17, 9:00-5:00. Two wood stoves, dresser, snowmobile, car, truck, boat and motor, movies, books, household goods, and much more. 1421 Moffat Trail, 72 E to McMasters Bridge Rd. to Linger Longer Road. (-8-15/10)

**TOWNLEY'S ANNUAL GARAGE SALE** Friday only, May 16, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 206 Misty Way. Electric shredder chipper, tools, electric typewriter, compound bows, twin bed, knick knacks, clothes, and much miscellaneous. Routed signs available. (-15/10)

**HUGE THREE FAMILY** Garage Sale. May 17 and May 18, 8:30-6:00. Yamaha snowmobile, horse tack, C1 canoe, Kawasaki three wheeler, children's outdoor toys and much more! 111 Barbara, Grayling. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Saturday and Sunday, May 17 and 18. 459 South Roberts Road. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (-15/10)

#### 11. Automotive

**'96 CHEVY TAHOE** Four wheel drive, loaded. \$9,500 Office (989) 348-5280. Home (989) 348-6570 (LR6/26/03/11)

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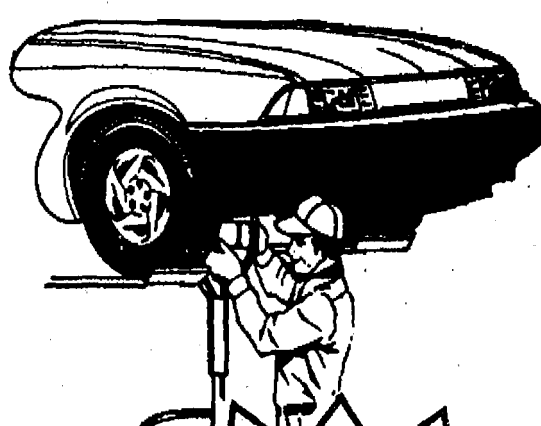
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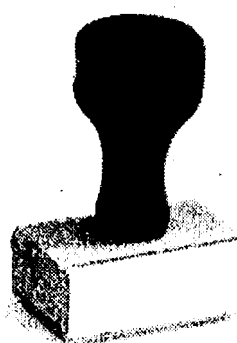
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## IRS warns: New tax scams have surfaced

Although the federal tax filing season ended on April 15, the Internal Revenue Service continues to see new tax scams. Two new schemes target families of those serving in the Armed Forces and e-mail users. In both schemes, people represent themselves as being from the IRS.

The IRS has seen isolated instances of the scam that targets the families of those serving in the Armed Forces.

IRS Michigan spokesperson Sarah Wreford warns consumers to beware of any variation of a scenario in which a telephone caller posing as an IRS employee tells a family member that he is entitled to a \$4,000 refund because his relative is in the Armed Forces and then requests a credit card number to cover a \$42 fee for postage.

The scammer provides an actual IRS toll-free number as the

call back number in order to make the call seem legitimate. However, the scammer then makes numerous unauthorized purchases with the victim's credit card number.

"Genuine IRS employees who call taxpayers do not ask for credit card numbers or request fees for payment of a refund," Wreford said.

"Tax season may be over, but tax scams continue," Wreford

added. "These types of shameless schemes hold out the allure of easy money. The IRS warns taxpayers to be on the lookout for these schemes. And we urge taxpayers to remember that the IRS does not charge for refunds or solicit credit card information."

In another scheme, victims receive an e-mail that appears to be from the IRS. The e-mail contains links to a non-IRS Internet web page that asks for personal and financial information. Such information could be used to steal the respondent's identity and get access to sensitive financial data or accounts.

Identity thieves can use someone's personal data to:

- take over his or her financial accounts,
- run up charges on the victim's existing credit cards,
- apply for loans, credit cards, services or benefits in the victim's name, or
- file fraudulent tax returns.

The IRS does not request sensitive personal or financial data by e-mail.

Both of these schemes are being reviewed by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration, which is authorized to investigate the misuse of the IRS name, insignia, seals and symbols.

Taxpayers who are on the receiving end of one of these scams should contact TIGTA by calling the toll-free fraud referral hotline at 1-800-366-4484, faxing a complaint to (202) 927-7018 or writing to the TIGTA Hotline, P.O. Box 589, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044-0589.

TIGTA's web site is located at [www.ustreas.gov/tigta](http://www.ustreas.gov/tigta).

These are hardly the first scams involving impersonation of an IRS employee or misuse of the IRS name. In the past, scammers have impersonated IRS agents by going to taxpayers' houses to "collect taxes." Genuine IRS special agents, field auditors, and collection officers carry picture IDs and will normally try to contact the taxpayer before they visit.

In another scam, the scheme promoters sent out fictitious bank correspondence and phony IRS forms in an attempt to trick the recipients into disclosing their personal and banking data. The scheme promoters then used the information to impersonate the taxpayer and gain access to the taxpayer's finances.

Genuine IRS forms do not ask for sensitive personal and financial data except in very special circumstances.

Additional information on tax scams may be found on the genuine IRS web site, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Go to The Newsroom page and then click on the "Scams/Consumer Alerts" link under the topics sidebar.

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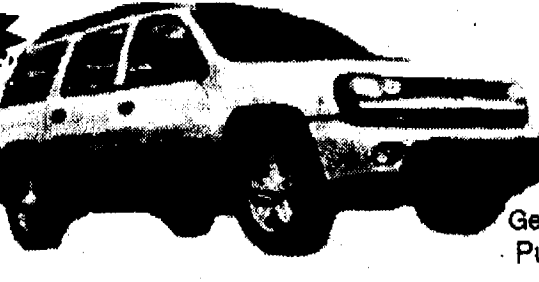
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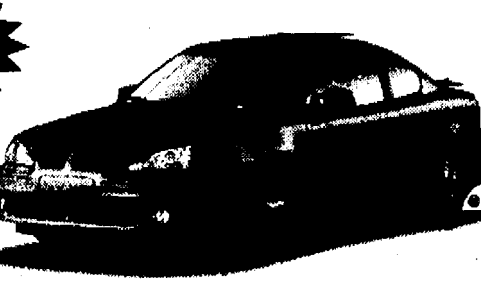
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2000 OLDSMOBILE INTRIGUE V6, power, nice! #5028-1 Was \$13,988 Blowout Price	\$11,988
2003 PONTIAC VIBE Auto., air, CD, power options, Satellite Silver, only 10,000 miles! A lot less than new! #4944 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$16,488
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2000 CHEVY MONTE CARLO LS - Loaded! Check it out! #19464-1 Was \$12,988 Blowout Price	\$10,988
2000 CHEVY IMPALA Like new! Very nicely equipped, power options, the works! Only 27,000 miles! #4990 Was \$14,988 Blowout Price	\$12,988
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1995 PLYMOUTH NEON Great car for the price. #19279-1 Was \$3,988 Blowout Price	\$2,988
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2001 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 Ext. cab LS, V8, fiberglass top! Nice truck #19617-1 Was \$21,988 Blowout Price	\$19,988
1999 GMC SIERRA EXT. CAB. 4X4 SLE, V8, 3 door, nicely equipped! #19496-1 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$15,988
2000 GMC JIMMY SLE loaded with power moonroof! #5032 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$15,988
2003 CHEVY ASTRO All wheel drive LT with leather! Loaded and \$10,000 less than new! 5,000 miles. #5031 Was \$25,988 Blowout Price	\$22,988
2002 CHEVY SUBURBAN 4X4 Don't pay \$45,000 for a brand new one! LS, fully equipped! #19666 Was \$32,988 Blowout Price	\$29,988
2000 CHEVY SILVERADO REG. CAB 2 Wheel Drive, auto., with air! V6 with only 10,000 miles! #4899 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$14,988
1999 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN 4X4 LT with leather! Loaded to the max! 35,000 miles! #4718 Was \$27,988 Blowout Price	\$24,988
1998 PONTIAC TRANS SPORT Ext. wheel base, leather, very clean! #4923 Was \$12,988 Blowout Price	\$11,988
2001 PONTIAC MONTANA Ext. minivan. Loaded with rear air, all of the options! Only 27,000 miles! Perfect for spring break vacation! #19701-1 Was \$18,988 Blowout Price	\$16,988
1998 PLYMOUTH GRAND VOYAGER SE Fully equipped, only 65,000 miles. These are \$30,000 brand new! #19311-1 Was \$11,988 Blowout Price	\$10,488

2000 FORD WINDSTAR SE package, fully equipped, very clean, low, low payments! #19107-1 Was \$13,988 Blowout Price	\$12,488
1999 GMC SONOMA EXT. CAB 4X4 SLS, fully equipped, very clean and sharp! #4910 Was \$15,988 Blowout Price	\$13,988
1999 S-10 EXT. CAB 2 wheel drive, 3rd door, auto., air, LS, tilt, cruise! A great little truck for a little bit of money! #4825 Was \$13,988 Blowout Price	\$11,988
2002 FORD EXPLORER 2 DR. 4X4 Loaded and perfect! Power roof and more! #19468-2 Was \$19,988 Blowout Price	\$17,988
2000 PONTIAC MONTANA Lots of extras and only 30,000 miles! These are \$25,000 brand new! #4939 Was \$4,988 Blowout Price	\$12,988
2001 CHEVY TAHOE 4 DR. 4X4 LS trim with 3rd row of seats! Very comfortably equipped with only 16,000 miles! #4940 Was \$30,988 Blowout Price	\$28,988
2000 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 EXT. CAB LS, 5.3 V8, fully equipped! #19712-1 Was \$19,988 Blowout Price	\$17,988
2003 PONTIAC MONTANA ALL WHEEL DRIVE Awesome - only 9,000 miles! DVD rear entertainment package (you'd be a hero!) Loaded! #4994 Was \$27,988 Blowout Price	\$25,988

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1995 CHEVY C1500 2 Wheel drive, V8, stock, decent truck! Only 75,000 miles! #19543-1 Was \$6,988 Blowout Price	\$5,988
1987 FORD RANGER 6 cyl. auto, with top, very clean, only 66,000 miles! #5035 Was \$4,988 Blowout Price	\$2,988
1987 DODGE DAKOTA Auto, V6, only 92,000 miles! #19248 Was \$3,988 Blowout Price	\$2,988
1996 GMC SUBURBAN 4X4 SLT with leather, only 95,000 miles! Price just right! #4896-1 Was \$11,988 Blowout Price	\$9,988
1995 CHEVY BLAZER 4X4 2 dr., nice looking 4x4 sport utility, ready for winter! #19210-2 Was \$8,988 Blowout Price	\$6,988
1999 CHEVY S10 REGULAR CAB 2 wheel drive, manual with air, LS, lots of options! Only 35,000 miles! #4883 Was \$11,988 Blowout Price	\$8,988
2000 DODGE RAM 1500 2 wheel drive with glass top! Very clean! #19266-1 Was \$12,988 Blowout Price	\$9,988
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## Museum seeks entries art show

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All visual media are eligible. Jack Bergeron, Chair of the Visual Arts and Media Department at Lansing Community College, will jury the show.

Prizes include: First Place Award of \$500 plus a one-person show at the museum; \$250 Second Place Award; \$300 Third Place Award; and three Honorable Mentions.

Application forms and entry slides are due at the museum by August 29. Successful entrants and award winners will have their work displayed at the museum from October 11 through November 9.

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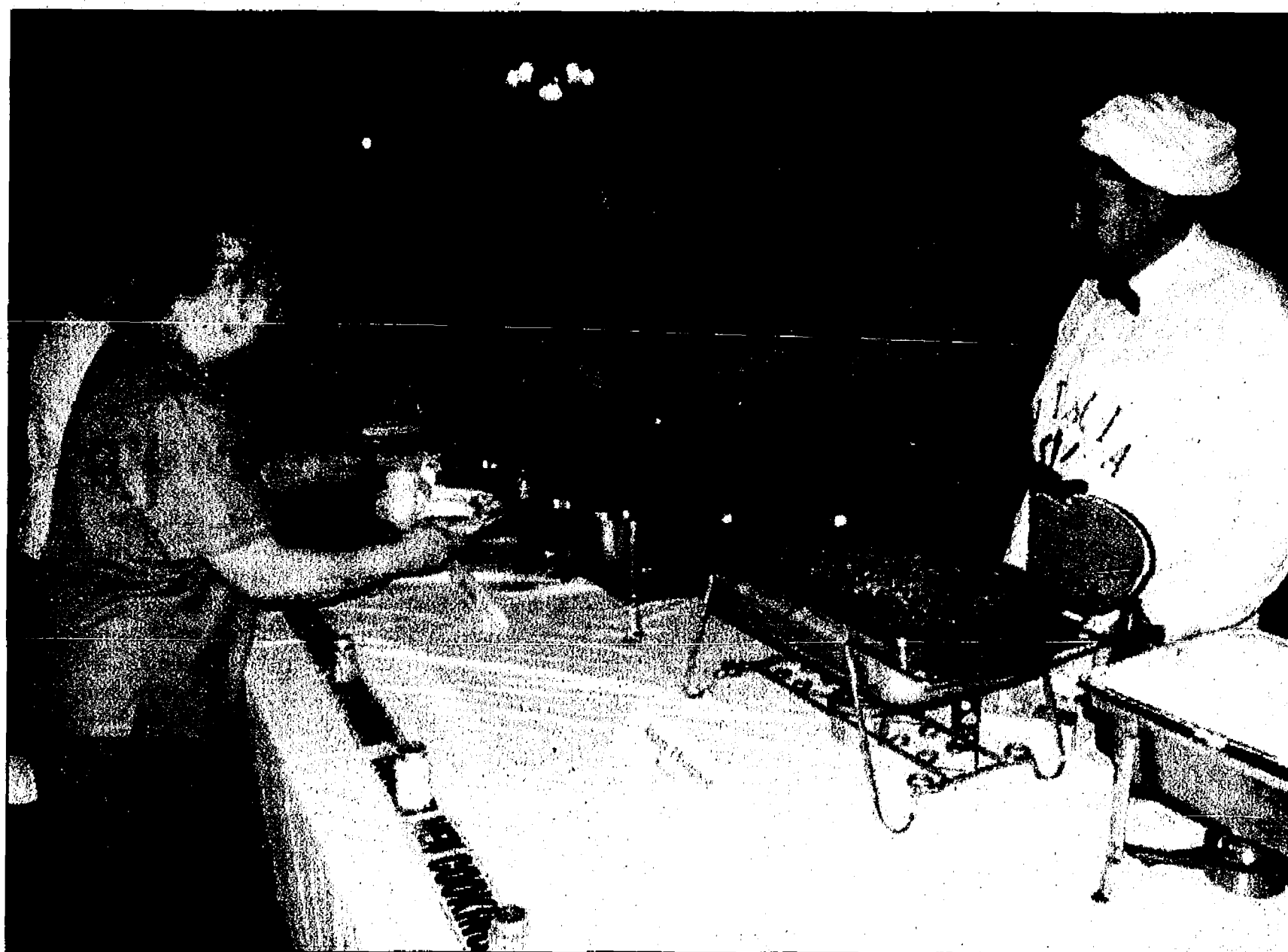


Photo courtesy of Doug Meroney

About 150 people attended the third annual Great Chefs of Crawford County event, also known as "Men Who Cook," last Saturday night at the Officers Club at Camp Grayling. A substantial amount of money was raised at this Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce-sponsored event, with all proceeds going to help pay the expenses of the annual AuSable River Festival. Chamber President Tim Zigila said 10 exquisite and tasty dishes, from soup to main entrees to desserts, were prepared to tempt attendees and each year the event offers more. Men Who Cook this year were: Mike Barr, Don Bowers, Corey Derenzy, Dr. Dave Dubriwny, Bill Gannon, Jerry Gosnell, Scott Hanson, Skip Kaiser, Skip Madsen, Don Schanz, Randy Thompson, Tim Zigila, John Jones, John Hunt, and Bob Young.

## Saivage yard work sparks fire

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

A hot bolt or spring from a vehicle dismantled before noon on April 29 was determined to be the cause of a grass fire at a salvage yard in Frederic that day.

Frederic Fire Chief Doug Pratt said the warm winds and extreme dry conditions that Tuesday caused his department to call for back up from the neighboring communities of Lovells Township, Grayling Township and Otsego Lake Township to answer the call at Abel Auto Parts on Old US-27.

Pratt said the workers were being cautious while cutting the rear axle off a vehicle in the yard using cutting torches. Workers told Pratt they waited a while after the cutting to move the vehicle, but apparently a hot part or parts fell to the ground during the move and ignited the grassy area. A total of 14 vehicles were involved, but none were fully engulfed by fire.

Chief Pratt credits quick response by fire fighters for the damage being kept to a minimum and containment of the fire to a small area. He cautions everyone to be aware of dry conditions when working with any tool that might ignite a fire and keep a water source nearby.

## 8th graders honor moms



Photo courtesy of the Grayling Middle School Combo Team

Representing the Grayling Middle School (GMS) 8th Grade Class, students surprised female residents of the Grayling Nursing Centre with bouquets of flowers in honor of Mother's Day on Friday, May 9. The event was funded by the GMS Combo Team.

## Saturday is Kite Day!

The Grayling Recreational Authority (GRA) invites everyone to come fly a kite as it presents Kite Day on Saturday, May 17, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., at

Hanson Hills Recreation Area.

Free kites and refreshments will be available while supplies last.

Hanson Hills is located just off

of Old Lake Road in Grayling Township.

For more information about Kite Day and other GRA events, call 348-9266.

## Leadership, DDA keys to a better downtown

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

Think of the downtown area of Grayling as a "mall without a roof." That's what members of the Community Assessment Team suggested to a gathering of local officials, business owners and citizens when they gave their report last Thursday.

The CAT Team performed a scaled down version in Grayling of what is usually done in Michigan communities looking to improve aesthetics, attract businesses, but most importantly attract more people to town. Though only in Grayling for a few days, the team tried to leave no stone unturned.

CAT Team members were Robert Tresize, Managing Director - Michigan Economic Development Corporation; Bryan Crough, Executive Director - Traverse City DDA; and Rita Hodgins and Phil Alexander of Michigan State University Extension.

Leadership was named as the key to the success of any improvement or development plans. The team suggested a collaborative economic development agency with a full-time staff person be implemented soon.

This agency would be housed in the downtown district to foster a working relationship between the agency, local government, businesses and organizations. It would work a lot like a mall management office and would serve to oversee anticipated needs in the district, for the welfare of all. "You wouldn't leave your mall businesses out there on their own, and you shouldn't do that to the downtown businesses, either," team members explained.

The team made it very clear

that the establishment of a DDA or "Downtown Development Authority" is also very important to bring about organized change.

Team members said they didn't have all the answers, but offered the following list of suggestions:

- Start at the center of town - "decay begins at the center; when one good thing happens, good things follow. When one bad thing happens, bad things usually follow."

- Get over the fact that Crawford County has a large amount of state and federal lands. The team found people were "almost obsessed" with this concern, while there is 1,800 acres available in the industrial park and a lot of space available in town.

- Get out and visit other communities that are attractive and vibrant. Talk to community leaders and business people. Make note of their use of signage. Do this by August 15.

- Have a Downtown Commercial Market Study done and devise a redevelopment plan.

- Keep the County Courthouse in the downtown area because it brings people into town every day. Other downtown areas where courthouses were moved out, have died. Grayling has already removed the library and City Hall from its downtown area.

- Think more about pedestrian traffic -- more people on foot are more important than cars driving through town. With the development of the Fred Bear property, Grayling has an "incredible opportunity" to extend the downtown area and pedestrian traffic.

- No airport service - the team suggests everyone concerned

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## Teen driver dies in high speed crash

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

A 19-year Howell teen, who had been living in the Grayling area for the past few years, died late Friday night when the car he was driving crashed on County Road 612.

According to Michigan State Troopers out of Houghton Lake, James Scott Fear was reported to have been traveling at a high rate of speed when he lost control of his Ford Mustang on a curve

near Bear Lake Road, rolling the car and ejecting him onto the roadway. He was pronounced dead at the scene. Fear was not wearing his seat belt.

Two passengers in Fear's car, a 16-year old boy and a 15 year-old girl who live in the Grayling/Frederic area, were wearing seat belts and received only minor injuries in the crash.

Besides speed, Troopers suspect alcohol played a role in the accident.

## Dinner planned to help with teen's funeral expenses

Family and friends of James Scott Fear, who died as a result of a car accident on May 9, have planned a benefit spaghetti dinner on Monday, May 19 at the Gray Rock Cafe in Grayling. Proceeds from the dinner will help the family pay Fear's funeral

expenses. Dinner will be served from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. and includes salad and garlic bread. Cost is \$5 per person.

Anyone wishing to make a donation, is asked to contact Jill Anderson at 348-5181.

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## Concert Band seniors present their final concert









The GHS Concert Band has nineteen seniors who will be giving their final concert at the GHS gym May 20 at 7 p.m. Back row (left to right): Shannon Plutko, Patti Martella, Coleman Payne, Todd Gaffke, Will Brewer. Middle row: Breck Denewett, Colleen Rogers, Amanda St. Amour, Lexi Bondar, Andi Holzbauer, Ken Heinlein, Jason Henning. Front row: Arrow Francisco, Danyelle Larson, Shannon Terry, Jennifer Rusiecki, Tracy Parkinson, Michele Belcher. Not pictured: Maeghan Corwin.

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## Leadership, DDA keys to a better downtown

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• No airport service - the team suggests everyone concerned find a way to make the airfield work for everyone.

• By June 10 - Establish a DDA. (The City Council may address this issue at its next regular meeting, May 27.)

• Make a serious review of ordinances and zoning. Make changes necessary to focus on aesthetics. Be aware of private property rights, a big issue in northern Michigan. Adopt an aggressive signage ordinance.

• While using the slogan "A River Runs Through It" is nice, visitors to town find it unclear where the river is located. Make the river more visible and more accessible.

• Fighting over I-75 and US-127 freeway interchanges with the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) may be a waste of time and should be placed low on the list of priorities.

• It is not clear to travelers that Michigan Avenue is "downtown." There is no sign announcing the "Downtown District." Attention should be paid to the

four buildings on the corners of the intersection of Michigan Avenue and the I-75 Business Loop (James Street). And, Michigan Avenue is "too wide" causing pedestrians to have to run to cross streets.

The team suggested "bumping out" the corners to narrow street crossings, creating a "green

median" with trees, grass, and flowers... "then you (the driver) will understand you're in a different place and things are happening here" causing more people to stop for a visit in town.

In closing, the team reminded everyone that "a nice downtown attracts business to other areas..." and, "You need leadership!"

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Photo by Cheryl Ruley

A team of "outsiders" came to Grayling last week to assess the assets of the community and its shortfalls, to listen to public comment and report back ideas to improve the area. The Community Assessment Team included Robert Tresize (Managing Director, MEDC), Phil Alexander (MSUE), Bryan Crough (Executive Director of the Traverse City DDA) and Rita Hodgins (MSUE).

## CARE expo ready to help residents

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling will be the site of the second annual Crawford Adult Resource Exchange (CARE) expo where residents can easily learn about the wide variety of services available in the county.

The expo will have booths from 24 local agencies ranging from Habitat for Humanity to the probate court to nursing homes. The booths will be manned by knowledgeable representatives who will be able to provide answers to most questions. Brochures will be available and each booth will offer a door

prize.

There will also be speakers throughout the day. They will cover estate planning, TRIAD, Alzheimer's, foot care, exercise, diet, Medicaid/Medicare assistance, relaxation/aromatherapy, depression, substance abuse, and kids today.

Allen Lowe will give the keynote address at luncheon. It will be followed by the presentation of awards for outstanding human service professionals.

The expo is open from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Thursday, May 15. The expo and accompanying lunch are free.

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## County equalization has new leader

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

When Kevin Hunter was hired to fill a temporary position in the Crawford County Equalization Department, little did he know how far he would go.

In February, 2001 longtime Equalization Director Bill Borchers retired, leaving the department without a Level 3 assessor as mandated by the State of Michigan. After much discussion, the County Board of Commissioners contracted with William Kerr to serve for a little less than a year while Hunter attended classes and completed the Level 3 certification process.

"Bill (Kerr) served as a great mentor and provided a tremendous amount of stress relief in our department while I attained Level 3," Hunter said.

The Equalization Department is tasked with setting the tax base for real properties in the county through market and appraisal studies. "We try very hard to monitor property transfers (sales) so values are uncapped when they should be, bringing more revenue to the taxing units,"



Kevin Hunter was appointed in April to serve as the Director of Equalization by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

Photo by Cheryl Ruley

Hunter explained.

"I really appreciate the opportunity the County Board has given me," Hunter said. "My

plan is to carry out the functions of my position in the most fair and equitable manner for both the property owner and the coun-

ty."

Hunter was officially appointed Director of Equalization in April.

## More ethnic variety at lunchtime at GHS

Recently the students at Grayling High School (GHS) had a chance to eat a classical Italian lunch. Guest Chef Christopher Engelhardt from the Bay City area was on hand to assist with the preparation and provided food demonstrations during the three lunch periods.

In January, a team began working together at GHS to implement a small grant awarded by Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service (MSU-E). GHS is one of twelve schools in the state to have received a "Changing the Scene" grant for the 2002-2003 school year. The grant requires a team approach to improving the school nutrition environment by

using a US Department of Agriculture produced kit to assess the environment and make plans for improvement. The team is coordinated by Janet Gaffke, Director of Food Service, and includes four students, teachers, building principals, a counselor, Board of Education members, parents, and food service staff.

Students and staff at GHS know their physical environment will change dramatically when school opens in September 2003. A new kitchen and cafeteria are under construction for the school and will provide much improved facilities with the opportunity to expand menu offerings for students. The students on the grant

team are hopeful they are helping Gaffke and her staff with the first of an ongoing series of ethnic theme meals, a desire expressed by the student body.

"Our staff have been trained over several years to decrease fat, sodium, and simple sugars in our school meals in accord with the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. This spring they have had the opportunity to work with Chef Kris to focus on eye appeal and enhancing flavors with herbs and spices," commented Gaffke. "We are very excited to move into our new facility and be able to expand the types of foods available for our students. We will have the equipment needed to prepare more

products from scratch as opposed to the current equipment, which limits our menu," she said.

"Our 'Changing the Scene' grant has encouraged us to look at what we are currently doing well, but to also identify the need for additional variety in the foods we offer and to market our program more effectively to our student body of over 600," said Rose Keusch, Food Service Manager at Grayling High School.

## Stand-off suspect pleads no contest

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

A former downstate man, now with a Johannesburg address, pled no contest to two felony breaking and entering charges last month and was sentenced May 5 in 46th Circuit Trial Court.

Ronald Charles Kisee, age 51, allegedly went on a spree of break-ins, stole a Ford Explorer and held Crawford County Sheriff's officials at bay for

about five hours, at his father's cabin in Lovells Township last October 27. The stand-off ended when law enforcement entered the cabin and found Kisee hiding in the shower stall, protecting himself with a pillow and a knife. Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said the crime spree may have been a result of Kisee needing money due to a gambling problem.

Kisee was sentenced by Chief Judge Alton T. Davis to serve one year in jail for each charge, with

sentences running concurrently. He received credit for 191 days served. Kisee will be on probation for two years following the completion of his jail term and release. He was ordered to pay court costs and fees totaling \$980, plus restitution of over \$3,710.

Charges of assault with a dangerous weapon, vehicle theft, and one breaking and entering were dropped in exchange for Kisee's no contest plea.

## Stabbing suspect bound over for trial

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

A teen facing a felonious assault charge has been bound over for trial in 46th Circuit Trial Court.

Michael Brandon Trosper, 19, allegedly stabbed another teen, 19-year old Juell Joseph, follow-

ing an argument and suspected underage drinking on April 20 in Frederic Township.

Michigan State Police Troopers reported Trosper was himself assaulted earlier that night. They said after the argument at a party, Trosper left, got a knife and went to Joseph's

home where the argument picked up again in the driveway where Joseph was stabbed in the abdomen. His wound was not life-threatening.

Trosper, charged with one count of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, is free on a \$10,000 bond.

## Public information bill passes state House

LANSING — State Senator Tony Stamas (R-Midland) announced May 8 that Senate Bill 180, a bill he sponsored which would prohibit state government agencies and departments from using fee telephone numbers to charge callers who want to access public information, passed the full House of Representatives with a unanimous vote.

Some state agencies, including the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, have been charging as much as \$1.50 per minute to access public information.

"Public information should be free of charge to hardworking, tax-paying citizens," Stamas said. "I am happy my colleagues unanimously agreed that the state should no longer collect this type

of income from Michigan's residents."

Senate Bill 180, which underwent a minor change in the House, will now go back to the state Senate for consideration.

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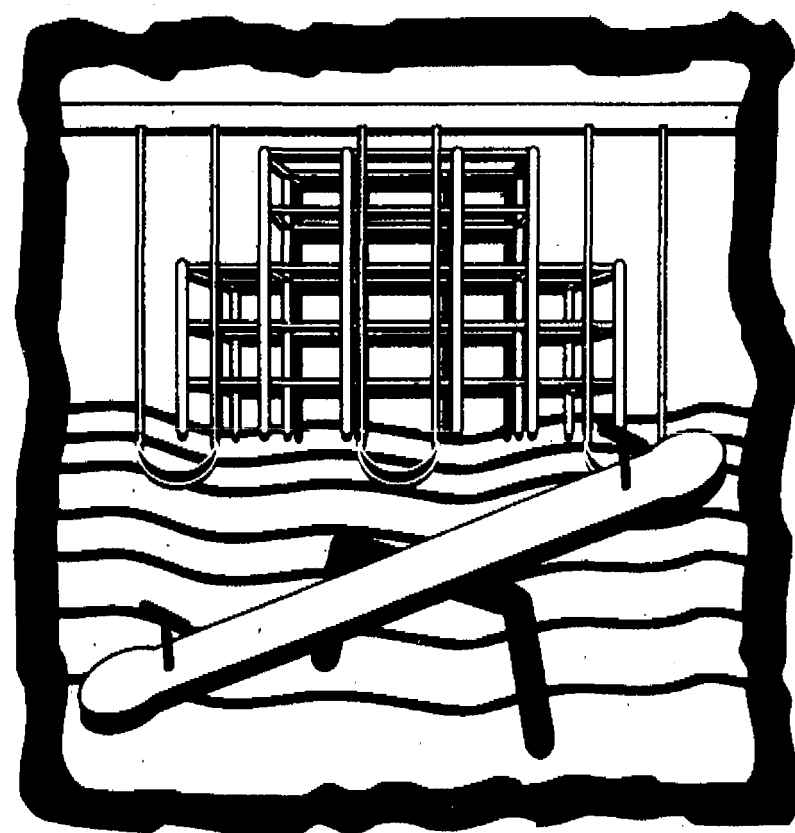
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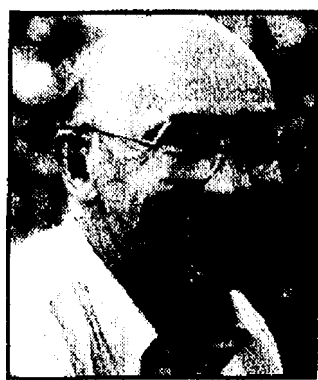
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# OPINIONS



**ALMANACK**

by Richard Milliman

## Here are two things that need some work

MUSING ABOUT the state of public affairs in Michigan convinces me some things should be changed.

Somebody ought to do something about how Michigan voters decide whom they want to run for president.

Eventual nominees are chosen by delegates to national nominating conventions; how those delegates are picked is the key.

The way it is now, Michigan Democrats have one way, Republicans another, and roughly one-third of Michigan voters pledged to neither party have precious little to say about it.

Maybe that's the way it should be ... but there's a growing voice that says it's wrong.

Republicans in the legislature are about to do away with the presidential primary for 2004.

That's okay with me. Only Republicans were going to use it anyway, and with President Bush the only apparent Republican candidate, who needs a primary?

In addition, the savings of about \$7-8 million in election costs will help both state and local government budgets.

DEMOCRATS PREFER party caucuses, where party regulars around the state meet in caucus and pick their delegates without regard for direct public input.

Absent the presidential primary, Michigan Republicans will use a state party convention to do almost the same thing.

In Michigan, the nominating process -- primary, caucus, convention, or whatever -- is strictly a party vehicle for each party to select its candidates to run for

office.

What about the public? Should they be shut out of the process?

The only obvious answer is to become involved in one party or another and then you might have a voice.

Is this the way it should be? Or is there a better way?

Somebody ought to do something to straighten out this mess.

SOMEBODY OUGHT to do something about how Michigan selects its judges. The state supreme court offers a horrible example an extreme plea for change.

To fill the seven-member court, each major party can nominate one candidate for each opening. Incumbents can file for re-election with only an affidavit.

Any minor party that has

achieved official ballot status (by winning a designated but small percentage of votes in an earlier election) also can nominate candidates.

The law allows a self-starting would-be justice to form his/her own new political party and win nomination that way. It happens.

On the statewide ballot, a sitting justice is identified as an incumbent, but there is no designation of which party ... if any ... nominated which candidate.

There follows usually a spirited campaign which has become increasingly negative and partisan, and spending disgustingly huge amounts of money, largely raised from special interest groups.

Once elected, the winning justices are supposed to rule on cases without regard to party

affiliation, how they got elected, or who backed whom in earlier campaigns.

FOR THE STATE court of appeals, judges are nominated by petition, with no partisan attachment.

For local judges -- circuit, recorders court, district and probate -- incumbent judges can run again by affidavit, and challengers or candidates for open spots also circulate petitions.

The incumbency designation continues each step of the system ... and although it does not assure reelection, history shows that very few sitting judges at any level are voted out of office.

Should any judge be elected in the first place? Is election only a popularity contest favoring popular names, without regard for

experience or qualification? Is there a better way?

Somebody ought to do something about how Michigan Supreme Court justices get the job ... and while they're at it, maybe somebody ought to look at the entire judicial selection process.

SOMEBODY OUGHT to do something about the Michigan legislature, too, but there's not enough space left in this essay to discuss that question adequately. Maybe next time, or sometime soon.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## Absence of city reps leaves some shocked

To the editor,

New meaning to the words, "Shock and Awe," occurred at the recent Grayling Community Assessment Team (CAT) public forum held on Thursday, May 8.

"Shock" that the City of Grayling had no representation at this very important meeting to assess the needs of our community and "awe" that it seemed they don't care about our community and have chosen to isolate themselves from public opinion and being a part of any open discussion.

The public forum must have been important to the well-being of our community because the CEO of Mercy Hospital, the Directors of our Transportation, Family Independence Agency, Health Department, Library, Camp Grayling, Hartwick Pines State Park, Visitors Council, Chamber of Commerce, service

clubs, health service providers, GPA (Grayling Promotional Association), GUDA (Grayling Uptown District Association) as well as many county and township officials, business owners and others cared enough to give up their evening to provide input so that the CAT Team could have good data from which to make its report to the community.

It is discouraging when the City Council and City Manager don't fully participate in this type of forum. The City is the core of our community and should be leading the way in pursuit of business, beautification and downtown development.

When the city is strong and viable -- our whole community will benefit!

William and Barbara Greene  
Grayling

## Ownership not required for right to speak out

To the editor,

Opponents to the designation of the Manistee River under the State of Michigan's Natural River Program flew their true colors at the public hearing in Grayling on May 3. I was shocked and embarrassed when one of the opponents shouted a venomous assault toward one of the public speakers.

According to her, the speaker did not have the right to speak in support of designation because he was not a Manistee property owner. Would someone please tell this woman that the Manistee River is owned by all of the

people of the State of Michigan, not just those who are property owners.

This speaker is a fine gentleman, a retired University chemistry professor, a local angling guide, and President of the local Trout Unlimited Chapter. He has as much right to voice his opinion as any state resident.

Perhaps the woman guilty of this public assault would consider an apology to this man. He certainly deserves it.

James E. Powers  
Manistee River property owner  
Grayling

## Stop on Lincoln was part of presidential duties

To the editor,

I take exception to the viewpoint you put forward in the first few paragraphs of your "Almanack" article (published May 8, "Opinions") as it reflects on President Bush. I am not entirely certain whether you are playing your own fiddle, or are on the band wagon of CNN, CBS and other news-related media.

We are, and have been, enjoying the leadership of the Bush administration for the past three years. Hopefully this leadership will prevail through the next five years!

Of course, President Bush must realize and be concerned with the fact that he is in the political arena. As such, he must strive to be successful and has the right to seize any opportunity to present his administrative abilities whenever possible.

For you or any news media to present the suggestion that he is "capitalizing" on current events for personal gratification is not entirely being truthful, now is it? After all, it is the news media that continues to air the USS Abraham Lincoln coverage.

It is unclear to me -- are you condemning President Bush for performing as a true Commander in Chief? Or, are you merely joining with other news reporting sources in garnering more

revenue by chastising a man for performance of duties that are true to his oath of office?

If, as you infer, the Bush campaign utilizes the USS Abraham Lincoln footage for political advantages, I would admit to being disappointed, but then I have never been overly enamored with politics! However, shouldn't we evaluate whether or not it is the Bush camp and not the news media doing the presentation?

The United States of America Citizenry had to endure eight years of "leadership" under the Clinton administration when; the best that could be expected was attacks on our Constitution and Bill of Rights amendments! The same Constitution, that provides you the freedom of speech and press!

The truth be brought forth, had President Clinton been more cognizant of performing his office responsibilities, rather than self-gratification(s), he might well have measured up to the expectations of the office of the President of the United States. But then, President Bush has the edge here also as he has a woman standing beside him who knows how to be a partner rather than a competitor.

Peter W. Stephan  
Grayling

## Deputies will be looking for unbelted drivers again

To the editor,

Crawford County law enforcement officials have a message to Michigan drivers who fail to buckle up: "Click It or Ticket."

As part of the statewide "Click It or Ticket" campaign, local law enforcement agencies are working together to increase seat belt enforcement among Michigan drivers in Crawford County.

During the last scheduled

campaign, the Crawford County Sheriff's Office cited 115 drivers for failing to wear their seat belts. Starting May 19 through June 1, Deputies will be focusing on traffic enforcement on those drivers not wearing seat belts.

So remember, "Click It or Ticket."

Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield  
Crawford County

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**The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.**

## Pennies reinforce middle school's Holocaust lesson

To the editor,

My name is Samara Sabin and I am a teacher at the Grayling Middle School. Last year my students raised over 100,000 pennies (\$1,000) in an attempt to raise six million pennies (\$60,000) to represent the number of Jews lost in the Holocaust. We did this by collecting donations from local businesses and from the students themselves.

Five hundred dollars of last year's total has been donated to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C.

The remainder of that money (approximately \$550) has been donated back to the local community through the United Way.

Again this year, we are asking for pennies or any other monetary donations you can spare. We will begin another account at GMS for this and these funds will be donated on or before December 31, 2003.

If you'd like to participate, please bring your donations to the Grayling Middle School by May 31.

Samara Sabin  
Grayling



# BRIEFS

## Hobo Supper to benefit cancer research

Join the "bos" for a Hobo Supper on Saturday, May 17, at the Masonic Temple on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, next to the Rialto Theatre. The "trampiest" dressed man or woman will get their supper free, others pay \$5 each. Supper will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and everyone is welcome. All proceeds will be donated to help pay for cancer research.

## Last call for Gypsy Moth control

Those property owners of Crawford County who are interested in having their property sprayed for the control of Gypsy Moth have only a few more days to complete the arrangements. H.T. Productions, Inc. of Grayling is currently scheduling flights for Hatfield's Spraying Service. Cost of the aerial application is \$200 for the first 10 acres and \$17.50 for each additional acre thereafter. For more information or to place property on the flight schedule, call 348-5187.

## Rotary's Annual Garage Sale, May 17-18

The Grayling Rotary Club will be holding their Annual Garage Sale on Saturday, May 17, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday, May 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will be held at J.J.'s Motor Mall on M72 West in Grayling. The Rotary Club will be accepting donations of clean, saleable items of value between now and the event. To donate an item, call Joe Porter at (989) 348-9012 or Marlin Friske at (989) 348-8382.

## TU annual banquet this Saturday

The Annual Mason Griffith Founders Chapter Trout Unlimited Conservation Banquet will be held Saturday, May 17 at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Social Hour begins at 6 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m. A raffle for a notebook computer and shotgun will be held, as well as many other live, silent and bucket raffles for a variety of items. Dinner tickets will be available at the door for \$30 each. For more information, call (989) 348-5196 or (989) 925-2171.

## Nature Park grand opening planned

Everyone is invited to come and be a kid again at the Grand Opening of the Fish Hatchery Nature Park, located on North Down River Road across from the Fish Hatchery, on May 15 at 1 p.m. Refreshments will be available. For more information, call 348-4361.

## Hearing topic recycling, container law

The Michigan Beverage Container and Recycling Task Force will hold a public hearing in Gaylord on Monday, May 19, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Those wishing to testify should contact Fawn River Township Republican State Senator Cameron Brown's office toll-free at 1-866-305-0316 or at (517) 373 5932. Testifiers may also provide a written copy of their testimony. Call Sen. Brown's office for meeting location.

## OMH blood drive to be held May 22

The American Red Cross and Otsego Memorial Hospital (OMH) in Gaylord will host a blood drive on Thursday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at the hospital located at 825 North Center Avenue. OMH requests appointments for each blood donor participating. Call (989) 731-2216 to make an appointment.

## Mt. Hope to host gospel singer

Gospel singer David Britton will present a free-will offering concert at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 17 at 7 p.m. No reservations are needed. This concert is for all age groups and everyone is invited to come and enjoy the message of Christ in word and song. Britton will also provide the music for the Sunday, May 18 worship service at 10:30 a.m.

## Free hearing/vision tests offered

Free hearing and vision screenings for kids ages three to 18 years will be offered by the local health department staff on Friday, June 20 at the Head Start Center. Call the health department for an appointment. Screenings are also available for kids entering Head Start programs and Kindergarten this fall. Call 348-7800.

## Ostomy support group to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, May 18 at 2 p.m. in the Private Dining Room of Mercy Hospital in Grayling. All ostomates and interested persons are invited to attend. For more information, call (989) 821-5721.

## Prayer sessions discontinued

The Intercessory Prayer meetings for peace and our troops, as well as for reconciliation and healing of all people and the world, originally scheduled for each Tuesday at noon in the Mercy Hospital Chapel, have been discontinued.

## Retired school personnel to meet

The first meeting of the season for the Roscommon Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (RARSP) will be held on Tuesday, May 20, at 9:45 a.m., at the United Methodist Church, located at 7059 West Houghton Lake Drive (M-55) in Houghton Lake. After a short business meeting, Roy Pentilla, Deputy Director of the Michigan Department of Treasury, will speak on the topic, "How Are Our Retirement Monies Invested?" Anyone who is currently working for, or who worked for a public school in the past, is welcome to attend. A luncheon will be served at 12 noon. Send reservations of \$7 made out to RARSP by May 16 to Charlotte Nagy, 9399 North Roscommon Road, Roscommon, MI 48653.

## African drums, dance coming to library

The Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library will play host to percussionist Kevin Collins on Wednesday, May 21 beginning at 4 p.m. Collins will bring an impressive collection of traditional percussion instruments from Africa and teach everyone about African drums and dance. Learn what a DeJemba is and get a chance to play. The library is located at 201 Plum Street in Grayling. For more information, call (989) 348-9214.

## The art and culture of trout fishing

The art and culture of trout fishing project consists of monthly programs on four weekend days in May, June, July and August of 2003 that highlight four major themes related to the Lovells Township Historical Society's exhibit, "The History of Trout Fishing on the North Branch of the AuSable River." The exhibit will remain on display at the Society's new log museum through Labor Day. The museum is open from noon to 3 p.m. every Saturday with extended hours on holidays.

The May 17 program, to be held from 10 a.m. to noon will focus on trout fishing rods and reels.

Speakers will be Glen Blackwood of the "Fly Fishing with Glen Blackwood" television show, who will discuss choosing the correct rods and reels for different trout fishing situations, and Wayne Cattanach, master bamboo rod

builder and author of *Handcrafting Bamboo Fly Rods*, who will give a lecture-demonstration.

The June 8 program from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. will deal with fly lines, leaders and fly casting while the July 12 program from 10 a.m. to noon will be a demonstration on tying traditional and contemporary AuSable flies. The final program on August 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. will feature artists and writers on trout art and literature.

All programs will be held at the Lovells Township Hall located at 8405 Twin Bridge Road. They are free and open to the public. The project is funded by a Michigan Arts and Cultural Affairs matching mini-grant.

For additional information, contact project director Roger Fechner at (517) 265-9561 or (989) 348-4880 or Darrell Fuller at 348-7951 or 348-9663.

## Square Dance Festival planned for May 16-18

The Northwest Michigan Spring Square and Round Dance Festival will be celebrating its 48th Annual Festival this year beginning at 6:45 p.m. on Friday, May 16 and continuing through 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 18 at St. Francis High School, 123 East 11th Street in Traverse City.

Nationally known square dance callers Randy Dougherty and Darryl McMillan will be featured, with round dance callers Bob and Kay Kurczewski.

Workshops will be held in the mornings and afternoons, both Saturday and Sunday, for the dancers, and dancing Friday and Saturday nights until 11 p.m. There will also be a dance on Sunday afternoon.

Square dancing is fun and people from all walks of life and all ages enjoy it. It is also very good physical activity. Square dancing is an international activity, and there are clubs in all parts of the world, however all square dancing is called in English.

Anyone interested is invited to come and observe the dancing and colorful outfits worn by the

## Chicks with Sticks to meet

It's "tee" time again. If you enjoy golf and love to have fun, then the Monday night "Chicks with Sticks" golf league is for you.

This is a non-competitive league and you do not have to be a member to play.

Chicks with Sticks will meet on Monday, May 19 at 5:30 p.m. at the Grayling Country Club to discuss the upcoming season.

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# The Bible Speaks

## Sensible Values

Jeff Foxworthy made us laugh with his self-deprecating humor about rednecks. Perhaps someone could try Jeff's approach with leftist liberals? Here are a few quotes to consider. You might be a leftist liberal if you believe: All liberty celebrations in Iraq were staged; All weapons, suicide vests, etc. found in Iraq were planted by the CIA; The Bush administration planned and carried out 9/11 and the anthrax attacks; No terrorists crashed planes into the twin towers and Pentagon on 9/11; The POWs were all faked/staged to get public sympathy; All world problems are either a Zionist or Right Wing conspiracy; President Bush is an appointed President and is just as illegitimate and brutal a dictator as Saddam Hussein; Antiwar protesters are the United States' only true patriots; The "human shields" actually liberated Iraq and the coalition forces are taking the credit; Compromise always gains more than conflict; Conservative capitalists are the real evil in a good world; the media was only "imbedded" with our military to cover-up our evil acts of war, and Baghdad Bob, the Iraqi Information minister was the most honest political spokesman of the war.

Such unreasonable thinking would be humorous if our nation were not under attack. Michael Savage says, "liberalism is a dangerous mental disorder." Could this also explain the German throngs mesmerized by Hitler's oratory promoting a Third Reich? Could this explain how the ideas of Marx and Engels almost

gained control of the world in the 20th century? Could this explain the Humanist Manifesto 2000 as a blueprint for control of the world in the 21st century? The greatest danger we all face today concerns the war to control the human mind.

The Bible says a human being becomes a fool when he denies God. Psa. 14:1: "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good." The person God calls a fool denies the earth to be God's creation and the Bible to be God's revealed truth. A well known pastor once said, "When you mess with the Bible, God messes with your mind." God says it best in Rom. 1:21,22,28: "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient."

God tells us in 2 Tim. 1:7: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." We need to heed the words of God to Zerubbabel in Zech 4:6: "Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts." God tells us in 2 Tim. 2:15: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a

workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We should pray with the Psalmist in Psa. 119:80: "Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed." Remember Rom. 14:18: "For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God, and approved of men." May we never become like the men of Jer. 8:9: "The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom is in them?" That is why our national motto must always remain: "In God Is Our Trust." Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church. Website at <http://www.i2k.net/~cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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## Michelson Singers in concert May 16

The Michelson Singers, of Grayling, will present a pre-Vermont Concert in the sanctuary of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on Friday, May 16.

For its concert, the ten-voice ensemble will present much of the music they will be singing while on their concert tour to Stowe, VT. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and admission is \$5.

On June 3, the Michelson Singers will depart for an eight-day concert tour which will include stops in Toronto,

Stowe, the von Trapp Estate and Niagara Falls. The group was invited to Vermont for an international choral festival to be held there.

En route to Vermont, the singers will perform at Phil Collins Theatre in downtown Toronto, the home of the Famous People Players.

Additional seats are available for the tour to Vermont. Anyone interested in going with the singers should call director Howard Taylor at 348-5187 or Michelson Church at 348-2974.

## Tabernacle celebrates six years

Burning Bush Tabernacle will be celebrating its six-year anniversary on Sunday, May 18 with services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Evangelist Jason Holicki will be the guest speaker at each service, bringing messages to inspire and challenge concerning God's power and glory.

Dinner will be served after the morning service.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Pastor Petrie at 348-1278.

## Chorale scholarships help local musicians grow

The Mikenauk Chorale awarded scholarships to five area music students totaling more than \$1,000. Scholarship recipients are Danielle Babcock of Roscommon a vocalist who will study at Michigan State University; Amanda Davis a flutist and pianist from Merritt who will attend Wolverine Instrumental Band Camp; Cameron Kalthoff, a percussionist from Roscommon who will attend Alma College Percussion Camp; Kristin Bockelman a

trumpet player from Houghton Lake who will attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp and Rachel Peterson, a saxophonist from Roscommon who will also attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp.

President June Karjalainen said "It is really a pleasure for the Chorale to award these scholarships. The new ideas and experiences these students bring back help them grow and broaden their horizons and enrich their communities."

The scholarship fund was

established from the proceeds of the Chorale performances. Part of the Chorale's mission is to encourage, develop and nurture the talent of young artists. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, performance, future plans and teacher recommendation.

The Mikenauk Chorale is based in Roscommon.

Persons interested in joining the Chorale should contact Director Doug Armstead at (989) 821-3775.

## WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?

You might have heard the tale of the fisherman who drowned after falling from a rowboat. He implored God to save him, refusing repeated attempts of help from three frantic bystanders on the shore. "I have implored God to save me. I do not need your help," he stubbornly shouted to each one even as he gasped his last breath proceeding to disappear bubbling beneath the surface.

Upon entering heaven he incredulously asked, "God...why did you not save me?" God replied, "I sent not one, but three angels to save you and you refused their help. Where was your faith?"

We are promised in Deut. 31:8, "He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee; fear not, neither be dismayed."

God asked the fisherman a good question. Where is your faith? Do you know where to find it? Visit your local church or synagogue. Read God's Word and learn of His promises. He wants to help you live a more peaceful and joyous life. Won't you accept your Heavenly Father's love? Why not worship this week?

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Isaiah 40:1-11	Isaiah 40:12-31	Isaiah 41:1-10	Isaiah 41:11-20	Isaiah 42:1-17	Isaiah 43:1-13	Isaiah 43:14-28

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(989) 732-7001  
Sunday Service.....10:30 am  
April through October  
2nd & 4th Wednesday.....7 pm  
Sunday School.....10:30 am

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor Jeffrey Jaggars  
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974  
Website: [www.mmm-umc.org](http://www.mmm-umc.org)  
Barrier Free  
Sunday Worship.....8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School-  
Sept. - May  
Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School.....11 am  
(Childcare Available during 11:00 service)  
Bible Study (Wed).....10:30 am

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor Jeff Arthur  
Phone 989-275-1061  
Services held Saturday at  
Camp AuSable off M-72 East  
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)  
Church Service.....9:30 am  
Saturday.....9:30 am  
Sabbath School.....10:30 am  
Prayer Meeting.....7 pm  
Tuesday.....7 pm

**Lovells Chapel**  
Pastor Rev. Gary Hopp  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Chapel Service.....11 am  
Wednesday  
Prayer Meeting.....7-8 pm

**Free Methodist**  
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor  
Daniel Baldermann-Associate Pastor  
6652 (M-72 W.) • 348-9093  
or 348-5362  
Early Service.....8:30 am  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Service.....11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Adult and Youth  
Sunday School.....9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday.....7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Church 348-8885  
Parsonage 348-2588  
Sunday School.....9:30 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children.....7 pm

**The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message**  
Pastor Paul Rolfe  
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic  
Sunday  
Worship.....10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service.....7 pm

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
President David Page  
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord  
Sacrament.....10 am  
Sunday School.....11 am  
Primary.....11 am  
Priesthood.....12 noon  
Relief Society.....12 noon

**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Service &  
Children's Church.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting.....7 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
Appointed Pastor Victor Slayman  
710 Spruce Street  
348-5224  
Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

**Community of Christ**  
Pastor Carol Stephan  
North Down River Rd. at  
1030 Glenn Rd. • P.O. Box 1188  
Church School.....9:45 am  
Preaching.....11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

**Friendship Church A Christian Reformed Ministry**  
Rev. Dick Oberg, Pastor  
415 Ohio North, Gaylord  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Tue. Women's Bible Study.....11 am  
Wed. Men's Bible Study.....12 noon

**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community**  
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor  
700-708 Peninsular - 348-7657  
Sabbath Eucharist  
Saturday Vigil Mass.....6 pm  
Sunday Masses.....8:00 am  
Family Mass.....10:00 am  
Scripture Study (Sundays).....9:15 am  
Daily Masses.....9:30 am  
Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
M-72 West  
Office 348-5850  
Sunday Holy Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

**Resurrection Life Church**  
Pastor Jimmie McWatters  
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Sunday Service.....10:30 am  
Phone: 231-536-7933, Fax: 231-536-3046  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
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E-mail: [pastorjim@rlcnow.com](mailto:pastorjim@rlcnow.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
M-72 West  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Mid-Week Services  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

**Church of Christ**  
Scott Hoffer, Pastor  
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd.  
275-8613  
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Sunday Classes.....10 am  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening.....6 pm  
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Wednesday  
Mid-Week Bible Study.....7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Lyle Studer  
211 Shellenbarger St.  
348-5325  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday.....11 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor Terry Colby  
705 Madsen St. • Grayling  
348-2557  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday School.....9 am  
Sunday Service.....10 am

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Durfee  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
Pastor Fred Coates  
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska  
(231) 258-3448  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Worship Service.....11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour and Prayer  
Wednesday.....7 pm

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Pastor - Rev. Steven Thiel  
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348-5921  
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Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

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## Students honored for high ACT scores

Eighth grade students from around the area were honored at the C.O.O.R. Talent Search Awards Banquet held May 6 at Roscommon High School.

Six students from Grayling Middle School were honored that evening for scoring a composite score of 20 or more on the ACT test, administered in February. These students include Glenn Hampton, Kelly Lange, Nick Parkinson, Robert Ramaswamy, Cory Shear, and Doug Slater.

The ACT test is usually taken by high school juniors and seniors. The four test subjects in the ACT battery include English, mathematics, reading, and science reasoning. Each test measures how well students can perform the skills necessary for college coursework.

Because these students scored a composite score of 20 or above, they will receive a \$400 scholarship to use toward an academic-based summer camp.

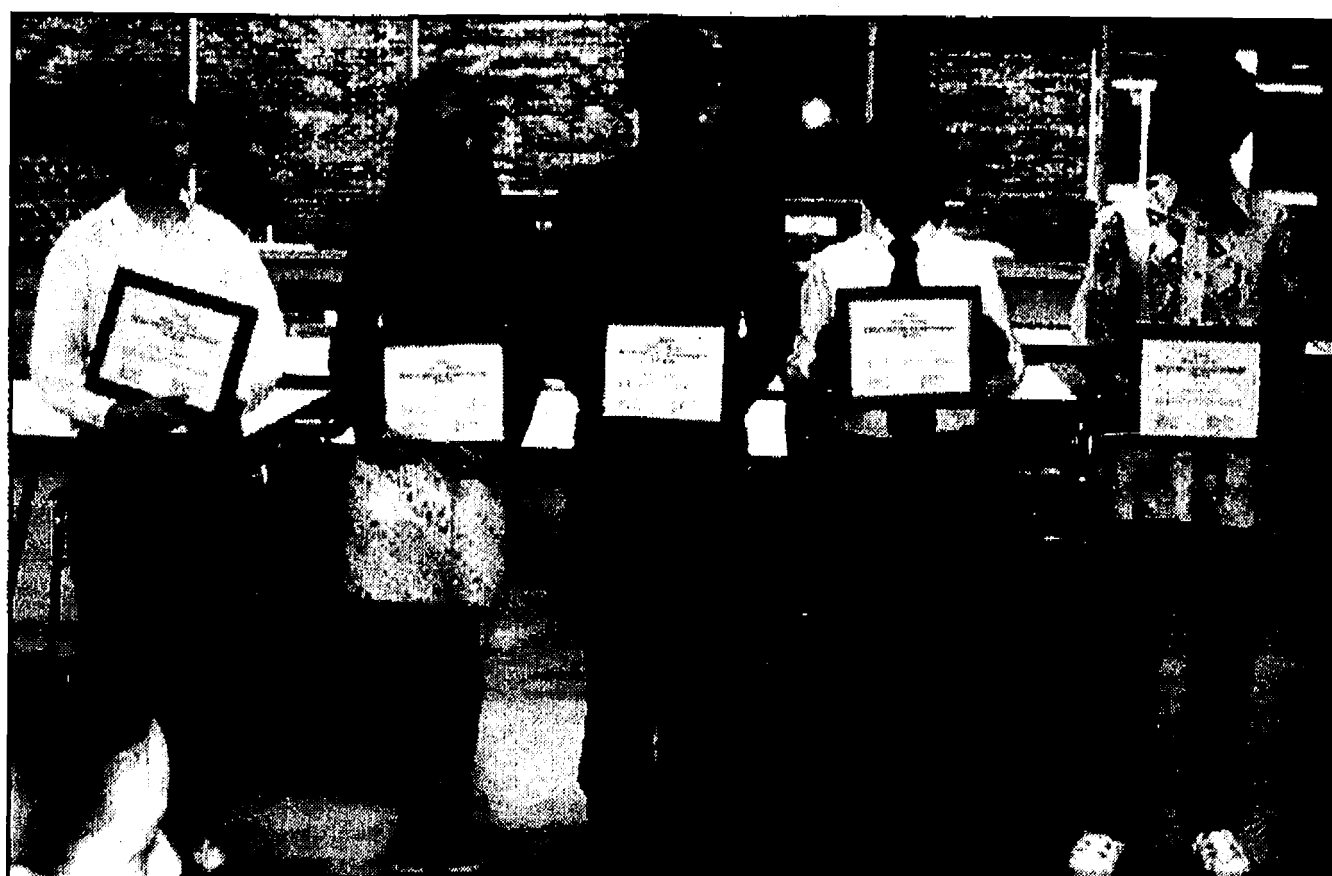


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Six Grayling Middle School 8th grade students were honored recently for scoring a composite score of 20 or above on the ACT test. They are Glenn Hampton, Kelly Lange, Nick Parkinson, Robert Ramaswamy, Cory Shear, and Doug Slater (not pictured).

## 7th graders explore careers



Seventh graders at Grayling Middle School got a chance to explore a variety of careers at the first Career Conference held at the Holiday Inn May 9. Various members of the local business community met with the students to answer their questions. The students are listening to Michigan State Police Forensics Lab Director Connie Swander discuss how everyday wear causes shoe patterns to become distinctive (above). Below, recruiter for the Michigan National Guard Master Sergeant Dan Ellis answers questions about military service.



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She is majoring in psychology and English writing. She won this achievement by submitting her poem, "Brazil." Colby is a 2000 graduate of Grayling High School and the daughter of Alton and Sandra Davis of Grayling.

### University of Michigan

Jill Ryther, a 2000 graduate of Grayling High School, has completed her third year at the University of Michigan, earning all A's this semester. She was enrolled in six classes and these grades earned her a place in the top 10 percent of her class.

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## Tours to see rare bird highlight Warbler Festival

by Danielle Sharow  
Kirtland Community College

Want to fix your eyes on one of the world's rarest birds? That's the whole point of the annual Kirtland's Warbler Festival, which draws serious birders from all over the country to the jack pine forests surrounding the college that took its name from the bird.

May 17 is a very busy and exciting day for Kirtland Community College, which is holding its 10th annual Warbler Festival. And the highlight of the day for many birders who travel hundreds or thousands of miles to the heart of Michigan's lower peninsula is the Warbler Tour led by wildlife biologists from any of several agencies working together to save the species.

One of them is retired DNR ornithologist Jerry Weinrich, who has led the tours through the region's jack pines since the opening of the Warbler Festival.

"We wanted people to have the opportunity to see the bird," he said.

And they do.

In one of the busiest tours in the event's history, more than 40 cars and about 150 people were led through the forest in the noon-hour tour. Even more people thought they might miss out on the tour, but a trolley used to get people around the festival came to the rescue, and took another 20 or so people out to the jack pines to complete the remarkable caravan.

Festival organizers take great pride in making sure everyone who attends the event has the opportunity to see the bird. And visitors seem to appreciate that. This year, Kirtland had inquiries



Kirtland's Warbler tour

from birders as far away as Texas, Chicago, Manhattan and Buffalo New York, and Anchorage, Alaska. No one will be left out.

To make things easier and a bit more organized, buses will be used in the tour this year, cutting down on the number of cars that will follow and allow more people to be able to listen to a tour guide who will be on the busses. Also, a third tour was scheduled, so the number of people on each won't be as large, making the process much easier and more enjoyable for all.

Tours this year will be held at 7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 11:30 a.m. Tour-goers meet near the KW Headquarters Tent and leave in a group from there to visit a nearby warbler management area, keep-

ing eyes and ears open for the endangered Kirtland Warbler. Those guiding the tour locate as many of the warblers as possible before heading out with the bird watchers in tow, and visitors have a 90 percent chance of spotting the world's rarest woodlands warbler.

Robert Hess, a retired DNR wildlife biologist and a festival organizer, has led nature tours. He said the best time to see the warbler is in the morning when they are most active and singing.

"The earlier, the better," he said, adding that seeing the bird is also very dependent on the weather. The warmer it is, the more active the birds will be. Last year, snowflakes fell on the May 18 festival, limiting viewing. However, most birders who

went on the tours were able to hear the Kirtland's Warbler.

Habitat management keeps the warbler's numbers up, but it also benefits many other species, and several other birds can be seen and heard on the tour as well, which adds to the experience for most birders.

And for those who can't make it to the May 17 KW Festival, or wish to take another tour, the U.S. Forest Service also holds daily tours through the jack pine areas from May 15 to July 4.

For more information about the USFS excursions, contact the Mio Ranger District office at (989) 826-3252.

(Danielle Sharow is a Journalism I student at Kirtland Community College.)

## Festival has plenty for kids of all ages

by Kane Madsen  
Kirtland Community College

Ever petted a kangaroo? Or went on a stroll with a 70-pound tortoise?

Kirtland Community College is giving kids of all ages the opportunity to do both — and a lot more — at the 10th Annual Kirtland Warbler Festival on Saturday, May 17.

The Whispering Pines Animal Kingdom will be on hand with a "zoo on wheels" with several different kinds of exotic animals. The company has more than 20 years of experience with exotic animals; each is hand fed from a baby and put into their kingdom.

They aren't exactly jack-pine ecosystem creatures, but organizers of the festival are betting it's something local families will really enjoy.

"Our goal is to make this event educational for everyone — especially the kids," said Jim Enger, chairman of the festival's organizing committee and marketing director of Kirtland Community College. "But everything we do



Birdhouse building

related to the Kirtland's Warbler Festival is designed to be fun, too."

And if children can't find any fun at this year's festival, well, they just might be lazy.

They can catch bluegill, perch and bass from a freshly-stocked pond near the Children's Activity

Tent, where they can build bird houses, get their faces painted and even get a temporary tattoo of a Kirtland's warbler.

Among the many other annual highlights is a rock hunt provided by the Mikenauk Rock and Gem Club.

New this year at the Festival is a juried art contest for K-8 students throughout the Kirtland district. Students create their art — all related somehow to the jack pine ecosystem — and winners will have their work featured in a calendar for next year's Kirtland's Warbler Festival.

Of course, like many others who travel great distances to the festival, kids can also take their parents into the forest for a chance to see one of the world's rarest birds. There's plenty to do — and all of it fun.

(Kane Madsen is a Journalism I student at Kirtland Community College.)

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**David LaGattuta, MD**  
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David A. LaGattuta, MD, is a specialist in Obstetrics and Gynecology. A graduate from the University of Michigan Medical School, Dr. LaGattuta completed his residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Ohio State University. Dr. LaGattuta began practicing at Mercy Hospital Grayling in 1996.



**Vincent E. Schultz, MD**  
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Vincent E. Schultz, MD, is a specialist in Family Practice and Obstetrics. A graduate of the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, Dr. Schultz completed his residency in Family Practice at Midland Family Practice and fellowship in Obstetrics in Tacoma, WA. Dr. Schultz joined Mercy Hospital Grayling in 2001.



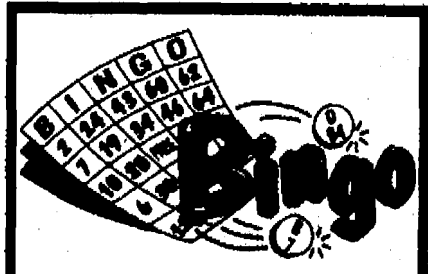
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## Prause elected Lions' District Governor

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Prause has been a member of the Grayling Lions Club for 27 years and is a Charter Member. He has served as President for five terms, 1st Vice President for five terms, 2nd Vice President for three terms, and 3rd Vice President for two terms.

Prause was named Lion of the Year for 1994-1995, a Tailwister for one term, Secretary for two terms and a Board Member for 23 years.

For 1985-1986, Prause served as the Zone Chairman for Region 3 Zone 2 and served as the Cabinet

Secretary-Treasurer for District 11 E-2 during 1986-1987.

He has served as Convention Chairman two times and has been a member of the Convention Committee seven times. Prause has served as Region Chairman for Region 3 District 11 E-2 for two terms, as Vice District Governor of District 11 E-2 for 2002-2003.

He has sponsored 30 Lions Club members.

Prause was the Melvin Jones Recipient from District 11 E-2 for 2000-2001 and received the International President's Certificate of Appreciation for 2002-2003.



Lions District Governor Robert Prause

## Arts & Humanities Touring Program includes locals

Michigan Humanities Council recently announced storyteller Howard Taylor and youth theater group Acting Up Theater Company, both of Grayling, are among the 256 performers and presenters recommended for listing in the 2003-2006 Michigan's Arts & Humanities Touring Program Directory.

In January, 55 experts in the various arts and humanities disciplines from across the state participated in reviewing and judging each of the more than 350 applications received.

Michigan's Arts & Humanities Touring Program, funded by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs (MCACA), provides grants to nonprofit organizations to host live presenters -- musicians, storytellers, theater companies, speakers and dancers, and visual arts programs -- from the 2003-2006 Arts & Humanities Touring Directory.

Michigan Humanities Council, a nonprofit organiza-

tion, administers Michigan's Arts & Humanities Touring Program in partnership with MCACA.

Touring programs are hosted and sponsored by community schools, libraries, museums, festivals, art councils and other nonprofit organizations. Grants fall into two categories: those providing up to \$250 for programs whose fees and expenses are \$725 or less; and, larger grants up to 35 percent of fees and expenses when program costs exceed \$725.

The 2003-2006 Arts & Humanities Touring Directory will be available from Michigan Humanities Council beginning August 1 and will be distributed to about 30,000 individuals, schools, municipalities and nonprofit organizations throughout the state.

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## Casual clothes program helps local charities



NCACU employees show off their Casual for a Cause clothes. Back row (left to right): Kimberly Parriet, Diane Giska, Rhonda McNamara. Front row: Kay Lech, Diane Clough and Janet Varney-Small

North Central Area Credit Union's (NCACU) employees participate in a Casual for a Cause to help those in need in their communities.

Once every two weeks employees of the NCACU wear a NCACU polo shirt and khaki pants to work. They each make a \$2 donation which is matched by the Credit Union. At the end of each quarter, the staff at each of

their four locations (Grayling, Roscommon, Houghton Lake and Standish) donate the money to a local charity chosen by the group.

The staff at the Grayling branch of NCACU donated \$820 to the local Meals on Wheels program.

The employees enjoy wearing casual clothes and being able to help those in need of support in the community.

## Hospice golf outing planned for June 14

Team registration and sponsorship opportunities are open for the 6th annual Dick Dworzynski Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 14 at Burning Oaks Country Club in Higgins Lake.

Dworzynski, of Roscommon, died in January 1996 at age 52 of lung and brain cancer. Hospice of Michigan helped him enjoy his remaining days at home with his wife and three children. After his death, a group of friends decided to launch a golf tournament in his memory, to benefit other hospice patients.

In the past five years, this tournament has raised more than \$55,000 for Hospice of Michigan patients and families in Roscommon and Crawford counties. The funds are used to support Hospice of Michigan's commitment to "open access"

care for all who need it, regardless of age, diagnosis or ability to pay.

The four-person, 18-hole scramble costs \$50 per person, including golf, cart and lunch. Registrations are on a first-come, first-served basis and will be accepted until June 2.

The tournament features prizes for the lowest scores in men's, women's and mixed divisions, longest drive, longest putt, a hole in one contest and many door prizes.

Sponsorships are available at three levels: Platinum (\$500 and up), Gold (\$100 and up) and Silver (\$55 and up). Personal donations of any amount are welcome.

For more information or to register, call Robin Willis at (989) 821-8821 or Julie Peters at (989) 275-4992.

## MCACA offers free minigrant workshops

Region 19 Regranting Coordinator Peggy Diss announces free workshops to teach Michigan non-profit organizations about the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs' (MCACA) Regional Regranting Program

This program is for regional funding of arts and cultural projects through minigrants of up to \$4,000 per project. It is funded by the MCACA, an agency within the State of Michigan's Department of History, Arts and Libraries.

Organizations located in Alcona, Crawford, Iosco, Ogemaw, Oscoda and Roscommon Counties (Region 19) and interested in obtaining Minigrant guidelines, applications, and information, should

attend one of the following Minigrant Workshops. Registration is not required.

• Thursday, May 22, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, 201 Plum Street in Grayling.

• Saturday, May 31, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Richfield Township Library (Roscommon County), 1410 North St. Helen Road in St. Helen.

A follow-up meeting will be held, Wednesday, June 11, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the CRAFT Center in Roscommon.

Any questions about the workshops, including location of other meetings in the Region, may be directed to Minigrant Coordinator Peggy Diss, (989) 389-4255.

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## Dog show to benefit GRA

On May 2-3, the Backwoods Houndsmen Association - a local group - conducted a benefit hunt for Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) at Hanson Hills Recreation Area. The event was sanctioned by the United Kennel Club (UKC).

Howard Ervin, an employee of GRA and President of the Backwoods Houndsmen

Association, organized the two-day event that raised over \$800 for GRA - the governing body of Hanson Hills.

Approximately 200 people along with 60 dogs from all over the state of Michigan and Ohio competed in various skill events that included a bench show, water race, field trial, treeing competition, and a UKC night hunt.



Travis and Zachary Hunter of Grayling receive blue ribbons in the Kids Bench Show at the Backwoods Houndsmen Association's benefit hunt on Saturday, May 3, at Hanson Hills.



GRA Director Justin Andre presents Robert Bumstead with a first place trophy in the Bench Show competition at a recent dog show event at Hanson Hills. Over 200 people and 60 dogs participated, and over \$800 was raised for GRA.

## Matyns celebrate 40 years



Mr. and Mrs. George Matyn

Mr. and Mrs. George Matyn will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on May 18.

George and Rosalia Matyn were married at St. Matthew's Catholic Church in Detroit on May 18, 1963. The couple honeymooned in Grayling at the

Brady Family cottage at Lake Margrethe.

In 1968, the Matyns moved to Grayling permanently.

Cards of congratulations may be sent to: Mr. and Mrs. George Matyn, 604 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Gwendolyn (Penny) Solomonson announces the graduation of her daughter, Elizabeth A. Solomonson from Siena Heights University.

Elizabeth graduated from the master's program in community counseling/L.P.C. (Licensed Professional Counselor) with honors, having achieved a grade point average over 3.75.

Elizabeth holds her Bachelor of Arts degree from Siena

Heights University in Human Services, with an emphasis on Criminal Justice.

She is also a certified paralegal, having attended the American Institute for Paralegal Studies.

She plans to continue her education in a doctoral program for counseling/psychology.

Elizabeth lives in Tecumseh with her husband, John, and their daughter, Raven.

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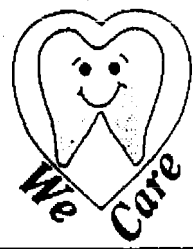
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## OBITUARIES

**Margaret Navin Blaha****June 11, 1920-May 12, 2003**

Margaret Navin Blaha, age 82, of Defiance, Ohio, formerly of Grayling, died Monday, May 12 at Laurels of Defiance, Defiance, Ohio. She was born on June 11, 1920 in Donora, Pennsylvania to John Charles and Alice (Hayden) Navin.

Margaret was a former resident of Grayling and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling from 1958 to 1980. She attended St. Mary's Catholic Church in Defiance.

She is survived by her two sons, Dr. J. David Blaha of Ann Arbor and George Blaha of Troy; one brother, John C. Navin of Defiance; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Alice Navin; and brother, Thomas C. Navin.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, May 17, at St. Michael Catholic Church in Rural Defiance, Ohio. Father Tim Kummerer will officiate. Visitation will be held on Saturday, May 17 from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Burial will be at St. Michael Catholic Cemetery in Defiance County, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made to Seton Hill University in Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Arrangements by Mast-Mock-Hoffman Funeral Home, 529 Jefferson Avenue, Defiance, OH, 43512.

**In Memory of**

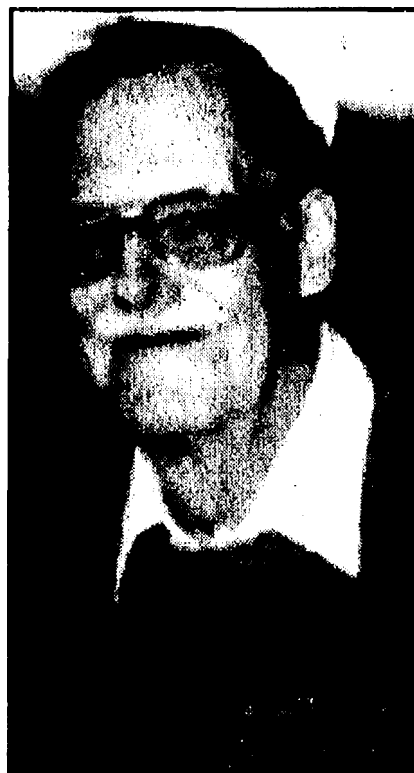
In memory of Jacob N. Helsel, May 10, 1989,

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Great grandchildren-Noah, Makenzie, Cheyenne

**Roger Lawrence Kneff****April 13, 1916-Feb 3, 2003**

Roger Lawrence Kneff, age 86, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, died Monday, February 3 in Tulsa. He was born on April 13, 1916 in Grayling, to David and Dorothy Kneff.

Roger was married to Lucille Wheeler on June 22, 1939 in Ohio.

In 1942, Roger joined the Navy and served 3 1/2 years in the Pacific Theater at the height of World War II. After returning from the war, Roger resumed working as a carpenter. Later in his vocational life, he worked at Bear Archery in manufacturing and for the State of Michigan. Roger was instrumental in helping form a credit union in Grayling. He was a member of the Abundant Life Tabernacle in Grayling. He and Lucille made their full time home in Oklahoma three years ago.

In his earlier years, he enjoyed hunting and fishing, he loved to play pinochle and solitaire with his family, especially his wife, and he loved to study the Bible.

He is survived by his wife, Lucille Kneff of Davenport, OK; two daughters, Lynn (Jerry) Popenhagen of Tulsa, OK and Laurie (Wes) Argue of Davenport, OK; two sons, Larry (Sandy) Kneff of Grayling and David (Mary-Ann) Kneff of Tulsa, OK; nine grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren, all of Tulsa, Davenport and Grayling.

**Debbie Rugenstein****May 11, 2003**

Debbie Rugenstein, of Grayling, died Sunday, May 11 at her home.

Mrs. Rugenstein was a Paraprofessional for the Crawford AuSable School District.

She is survived by her husband, Ron Rugenstein; two daughters, Krystyna and Apryl; her mother, Mary Callewaert; one brother, William Blank; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Elmer Blank and her stepfather, Joseph Callewaert.

No services will be held.

Memorial contributions can be made to the American Cancer Society, Crawford County Unit, P.O. Box 350, Grayling, MI 49738.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 85 complaints the week of May 5-11:

Four traffic accidents, two non-traffic accidents, one traffic violations (civil infraction), six traffic policing, two traffic safety public appearances, one accident - all other, one motor vehicle inspection, four civil matter disputes - family trouble, three suspicious situations, three attempted suicides, 20 general non-criminal, two delinquent minors, one runaway, one valid alarm, three false alarm activation, one assault/intimidation/stalking, three burglary/home invasion, five larceny, one larceny from yards, two motor vehicle theft, one fraudulent activity, two damage to property, one family offense/abuse/neglect, two minor in possession/consume/purchase attempts, six public peace/disorderly, three miscellaneous criminal offense, two miscellaneous arrests, two driving violations/DWLS, etc.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are?"

For more information, log on to: [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

## Former adjutant general passes

Maj. Gen. John A. Johnston, the adjutant general of the Michigan National Guard from 1974 to 1983, passed away May 7 after a brief illness. He was 80 years old.

He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in September 1942 as an aviation cadet.

In 1959, he was appointed as the assistant adjutant general of Michigan while also serving as commander of the Michigan Air National Guard headquarters. In 1974, he was appointed as the first Air National Guard officer to serve as an adjutant general and in 1981 the Deputy Secretary of Defense appointed him to a three-year term on the Reserve Forces Policy Board. He retired in 1983 with 41 years of military service.

Johnston had 8,000 plus hours of flying time in 25 different types of aircraft. He earned the Distinguished Service Medal, Air Medal with 15 oak leaf clusters, the Purple Heart, and an additional 14 service-connected medals.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, four children, and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services, with military honors, were held in Lansing on May 10.

Donations in Maj. Gen. Johnston's memory may be made to the Greater Lansing Youth for Christ or the National Kidney Foundation.

## HONORS

**St. Olaf College**

Amanda J. Feby, of Grayling is among more than 1,500 students who were recognized for academic achievement at the college's annual Honors Day convocation on May 2.

Honors Day recognizes students who have achieved a grade-point average of 3.3 or higher.

The convocation also cites students who have won scholarships and fellowships.

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during May 14 - 20 is as follows:

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates: May 14-15; May 19-20.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Road, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Military maneuvers and small arms firing conducted: May 17, 2003.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek: May 14-20.

Range 15, located South of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Road and on the east by Carrier Road: May 16-18.

Range 17, Hand Grenade

Range located South of the main post, north of Carrier Road, east of Range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Road): May 16-18.

Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail: May 15-18.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Occasionally, the Post Commander without additional notice to the public may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

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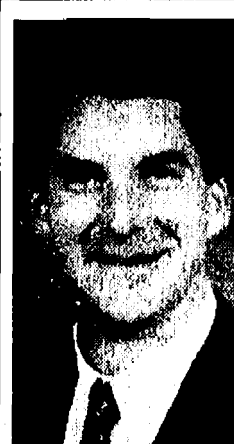
Special Friday (16th) seminar: Landscaping & Gardening Using Native Plants of the Jack Pine Region, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., \$20 advance registration by May 9. Lunch, refreshments & materials included.

Other off-campus nature events: Friday: Gahagan Nature Preserve, 5:00 p.m.; Wakeley Lake Foot Travel Area, 7:00 p.m.; or, Big Creek Preserve, 7:00 p.m. Saturday: (after festival) Houghton Lake Marsh Wetland Bird Tour, 6:00 p.m. or Wakeley Lake Foot Travel Area, 7:00 p.m. Sunday: Jeremy & Lois Jones Nature Preserve, 8:00 a.m.



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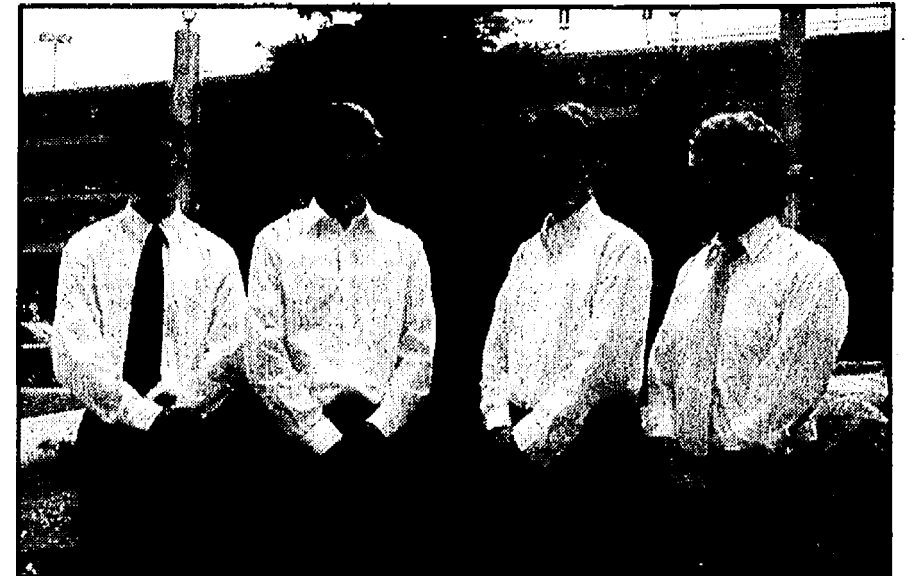
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## Local musicians play at MYAF

Jason Henning, Ken Heinlein, Todd Gaffke and Kip Franklin were among the select students invited to participate in the Michigan Youth Arts Festival (MYAF), a three day celebration of the arts, at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo May 8-10.

These four young musicians from Grayling were chosen for this prestigious group, dubbed to be "The Best of the Best," based on their proficiency scores from the State Solo and Ensemble festival held in March.

Henning played with the All-Michigan Honors Orchestra. Kip Franklin and Ken Heinlein were members of the All-Michigan Honors Band. Gaffke was named principal chair of the alto saxophone section of the All-Michigan Honors Band.



Jason Henning, Todd Gaffke, Kip Franklin and Ken Heinlein relax for a few minutes at the Michigan Youth Arts Festival.

Unique in the nation, the MYAF began over 40 years ago as a talent screening of young musicians. Today it is a compre-

hensive arts spectacular, culmination of a nine-month search for the finest artistic talent in Michigan high schools.

More than 60,000 students across the state become involved in the adjudication process that results in approximately 1,000 students being invited to participate in the Festival. Instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, creative writing, film/video and visual arts are performed and exhibited by highly gifted Michigan high school students.

Between performances, the students benefit from master classes, rehearsals and workshops led by professional artists and educators.

## HOMETOWN NEWS



Matt Seager

Grayling High School junior Matt Seager is spending this semester as a foreign exchange student in Wodonga, Australia, where he attends school year round, with breaks throughout the schedule.

Matt will return to Grayling in July.

He is the son of Chris and Steve Seager.

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## GMS names Students of the Month

Grayling Middle School named the following as Students of the Month for April. Back row (left to right): Matt McDonald, Patrick Belcher, Jon Denton, Jon Kane, Charlotte Savelio, Ali Ferrigan, Shentele Apps, Mike Rollins. Middle row: Arieal Lynch, John Zupko, Eric Ackerman, Alex Millar, Hailey McMahon, Tierra Evans, Kim Dougherty, Angela Bickman, Billy Weaver, Jamie Shaw. Front row: Cory Stout, Charlie Smith, Bruce Smith, Tiffany Davis, Liz Porter, Amber Dudock, Kayla May, Jimmy Osga, Ethan Tilson. Not pictured: Mary Annabel, Amanda Moran and Bridget Riehle.



Photo courtesy of Grayling Middle School

## Kirtland Police Academy honors 21 graduates

The Kirtland Regional Police Academy honored its 16th graduating class of 21, including three women, with commencement ceremonies on May 2.

Members of the Winter 2003 class are: Angela Ackley of Houghton Lake, Douglas Austin of Hudsonville, Stephen Bailey of Suttons Bay, Joshua Belanger of Clio, Haley Brown of

Petoskey, Kevin Bouwman of Muskegon, Larry Kahsin of St. Helen, Christopher Kuenzie of Roscommon, Scott McKenzie of Harrisville, Adam Mercer of Newaygo, Riley Olson of Mt. Pleasant, Russel Pahssen of Mt. Pleasant, N. Robert Reiling of Bay City, Kevin Scott of West Branch, Judith Steinbrink of St. Helen, Dustin Stempki of St. Ignace, James Vernier of Davison, Justin Walker of Flint, Michael White of Spruce, Erik Wien of Northport and Michael

Zeeb of Kingsford.

Cadet Wien was been elected as the class speaker.

The featured commencement speaker was Ottawa County Sheriff Gary A. Rosema, chair of the Michigan Commission On Law Enforcement.

Academy Director Jerry W. Boerema and Kirtland Community College President Dr. Charles Rorie also addressed the graduates.

Kirtland Academy training, both physical and mental, pro-

vides prospective law enforcement officers with the self-discipline, respect for authority, and attention to detail that are necessary for their safety and success later, on the job.

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## Frederic girl state finalist in pageant

Sirria Ann Martin, age eight, of Frederic, has been chosen as a State Finalist in the National American Miss Michigan Pageant to be held June 28 at the Hilton in Novi. The pageant is for girls ages seven through nine years.

Martin's activities include Most Promising Model, academic achievement and art contest. She also enjoys reading, rollerblading, and spending time with her family. She is sponsored by the Gaylord City Barbershop and Utility Contracting of Sparta.

The winner of the pageant will receive a \$1,000 cash award, the official crown and banner, a bouquet of roses and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at Disneyland in California.

Pageants are held in each state



Sirria Ann Martin

for girls ages four to 18, in five age groups.

Families interested in receiving information about this unique and outstanding youth program may visit [www.NationalAmericanMiss.com](http://www.NationalAmericanMiss.com).

The National American Miss pageants are for "Today's Girl" and "Tomorrow's Leaders." The pageant program is based on inner beauty, as well as poise, presentation, and offers an "All-

American spirit of fun for family, and friends." Emphasis is placed on the importance of gaining self-confidence, learning new skills, learning good attitudes about competition, and setting and achieving personal goals. The pageant seeks to recognize the accomplishments of each girl while encouraging her to set goals for the future.

Sirria Ann is the daughter of Melissa Martin of Frederic.

## Summer music camp offered

High school students can make the most of their summer vacation by participating in Central Michigan University's (CMU) 10th annual summer music camp. Space is still available.

The camp, scheduled for June

15-20, is open to high school age keyboard, string, woodwind, brass and percussion instrumentalists. Students will study with CMU faculty, perform in chamber ensembles, band and orchestra, study music technology and theory, and have the opportunity to take additional private lessons with CMU faculty.

The camp will be held on the campus of CMU in their state-of-the-art rehearsal and concert halls in the School of Music. Students stay in campus residence halls, eat in the dining commons and experience college life first hand.

The camp is offered by CMU's School of Music and the College of Extended Learning. Registrations must be made on or before May 22. For more information on summer music camps, call K. Schmittler (800) 950-1144, ext. 7141. Camp brochures can be downloaded at [www.cel.cmich.edu/music](http://www.cel.cmich.edu/music).

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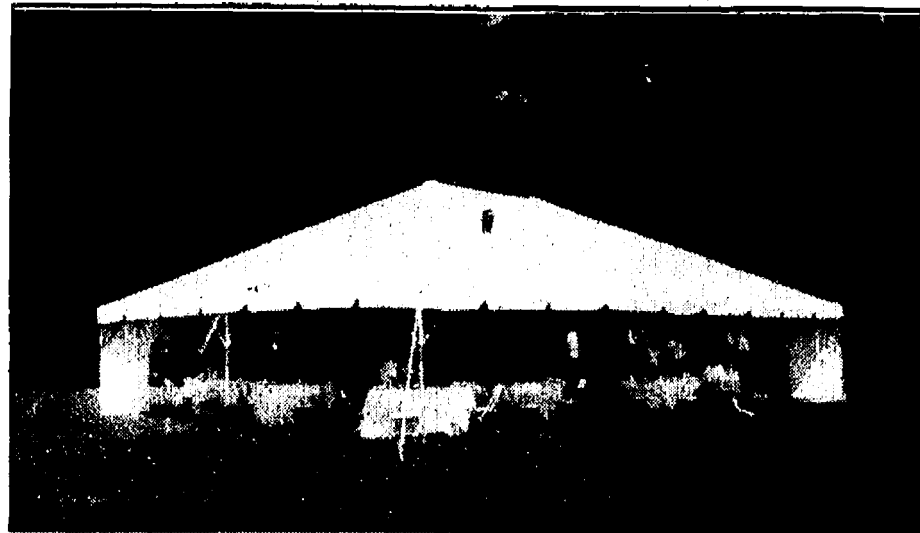
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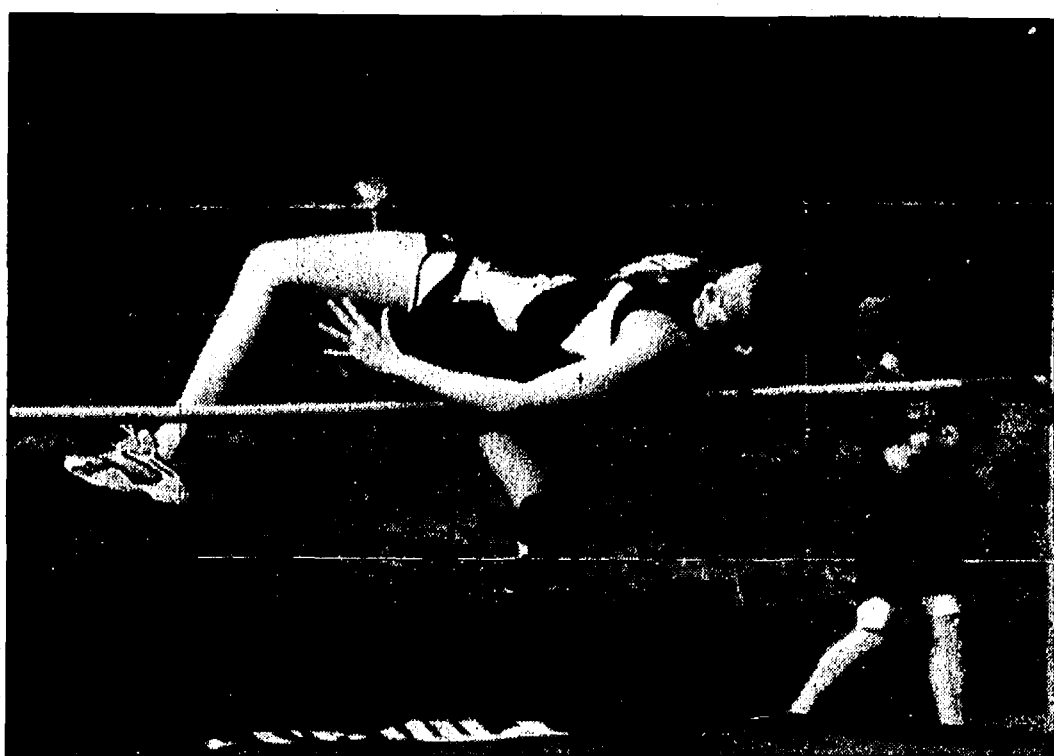


Girls soccer 3B

► More boys track. .... 4B | ► More girls track. .... 5B

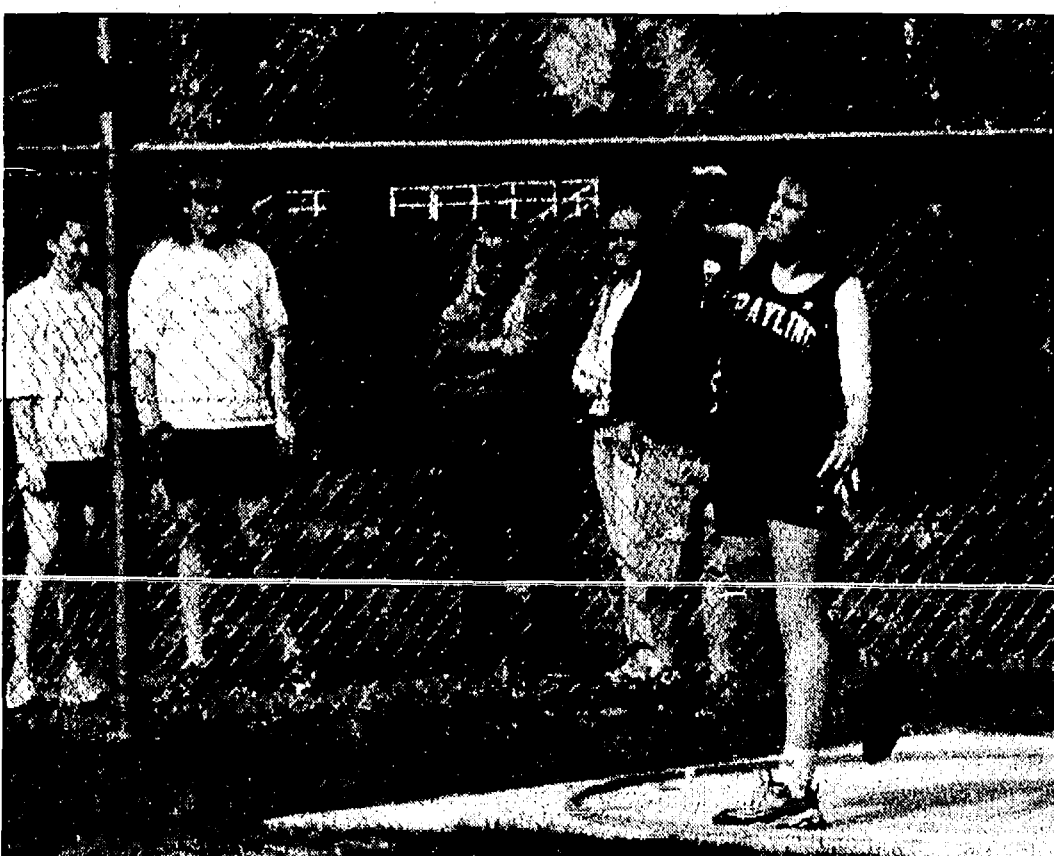
## Vikings host Braves

Grayling competes against Tawas in only meet at GHS

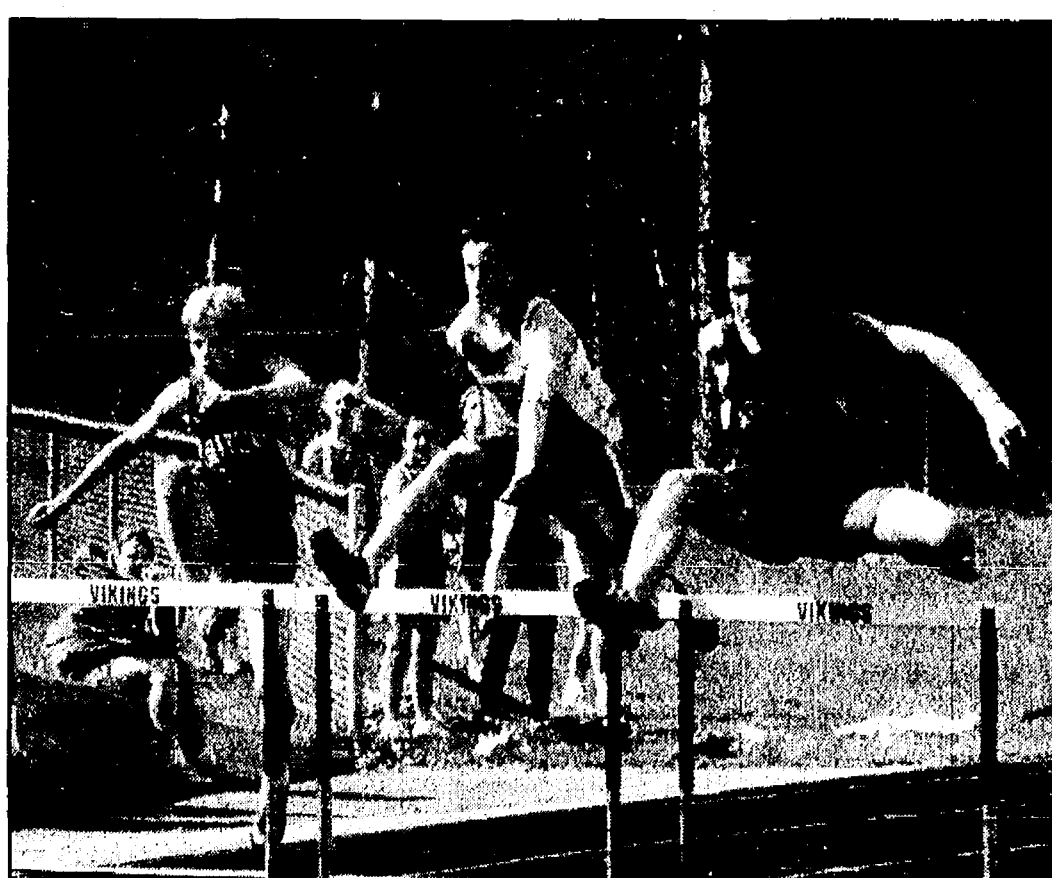


Photos by Caleb Casey

GHS track athlete Ashley Hawley clears the bar in the high jump competition at last week's varsity track and field meet in Grayling. Hawley placed first in the event with a jump of 4'9".



Jennifer Tozer takes a discus throw during the Grayling vs. Tawas track meet last Wednesday.



Vikings Chris Squire (left) and Pawel Wojcik (right) run a hurdles event at last Wednesday's meet vs. Tawas at Grayling High School. The meet was the first and only one scheduled to be held at GHS this season.



Tyler Cragg (left) and Eric Hunter (right) sprint during a dash event for Grayling in the meet vs. the Braves of Tawas.

## Varsity squad sweeps Harbor

Lange pitches no-hitter for GHS in game 2

► Baseball team wins at Harbor Springs 6-5, 9-0 in doubleheader

Grayling won both games of a varsity baseball doubleheader at Harbor Springs last Thursday, including a 9-0 victory in game two in which Viking pitcher Joe Lange threw a no-hitter.

GHS won the first game of the series 6-5.

Andy Strohpaal (2-1) was the winning pitcher for Grayling. He pitched out of a jam in relief, striking out two Harbor batters with the bases loaded in the fourth inning. Sophomore D.J. Metzger, the starting pitcher, left in the 4th inning with Grayling trailing 5-3. Two of Harbor's five runs were unearned.

Roy Czapek scored Grayling's first run with a homer in the second inning. Greg Morrill scored in the 4th inning on a grounder by Lee Schreiber after reaching base on a double.

Grayling scored twice in the 6th to win the game. Czapek singled, stole second base, and scored on a two-out single by Lange to tie the game at 5-5. Lange stole second and scored the go-ahead run on a single by Metzger.

Leading hitters for GHS in the match were: Czapek, 2 for 3 (with a homerun), 1 RBI; Lange, 2 for 3, 2 RBI; Morrill, 2 for 2 (two doubles); Metzger, 1 for 1, 1 RBI (the game winner).

The Vikings scored nine runs on 13 hits in game two and won 9-0.

Lange, a junior, pitched a no-hit shut-out for Grayling in the contest. It was his first victory as a varsity pitcher. He struck out seven and walked three.

Leading hitters for Grayling were: Metzger, 2 for 4 (with a homerun); Kaiser, 3 for 4; Czapek, 2 for 4, 1 RBI; Davis, 1 for 2, 3 RBI; Morrill, 1 for 4, 1 RBI; Strohpaal, 2 for 3, 1 RBI.

"The future looks bright for the Vikings with sophomores Ryan Davis, D.J. Metzger, and Gibson Tobin all on the field at the same time in game two," Coach Bob Gorski said. "Seniors Adam Kaiser and Chris Wakeley have shown strong leadership skills and have led by example."

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See "VARSITY SQUAD..."



Joe Lange

## JV Vikings sweep Panthers at Standish

► Baseball team wins 11-0, 9-4 at Standish Sterling Central

The GHS junior varsity baseball team won both games of a doubleheader at Standish Sterling Central last Tuesday.

The Vikings won game one 11-0.

For Grayling, pitcher Eli VanNuck threw a one-hit shut-out. He struck out five and walked two.

VanNuck and Gibson Tobin were the leading hitters for GHS in the contest. Tobin was 3 for 3 (with a double and a triple), with 3 runs scored, 3 RBI, and 3 stolen bases. VanNuck was 2 for 3 with 2 runs scored, 2 RBI, and 2 steals.

The team batted 10 for 22 (.455) with 8 RBI and 8 steals.

In game two, the Vikings batted .227 (5 for 22) in a 9-4 victory over the host Panthers.

Josh Hinkle, Tobin, Matt Swope, Adam Gilbert, and Alex McNamara each had a hit for Grayling.

Swope, the pitcher for GHS in the match, tossed a four-hitter. He walked one, struck out



The GHS junior varsity baseball team: (front, left to right) Zac Baker, Eli VanNuck, Gibson Tobin; (middle, left to right) T.J. Luke, Alex McNamara, Matt Swope, James Haven, Jason Strohpaal; (back, left to right) Coach Mike D'Amour, J.C. Schneider, Billy Stewart, Josh Hinkle, Bobby Starks, Russ Peters.

four, and surrendered only one earned run.

"We had two amazing pitching performances from Eli and Matt," Coach Travis Huber

said. "They both went out and threw strikes and got on top of batters. Our defense was also very strong behind the two of them."

"This was, by far, the best doubleheader we've played. Now that we know how well we are capable of playing our expectations for the rest of the

season are a little higher," Coach Huber said.

On Thursday, May 15, the Vikings will host Pinconning at 4 p.m.



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# Varsity squad sweeps Harbor

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On Tuesday, the Vikings lost two games of a doubleheader to Standish Sterling Central at GHS by scores of 8-1, 4-1.

In game one, Grayling scored its only run in the first inning. Kaiser scored it from second base on a single by Wakeley.

Davis, the pitcher, had a one-hitter going until the 4th inning. In the 4th, SSC scored four unearned runs on a walk, hit batsman, three errors, and a single and a double. Standish scored four more unearned runs in the 5th on a walk, a single, three errors, and a wild pitch.

Czapek pitched three scoreless innings in relief of Davis. He struck out five, walked one, and surrendered three hits.

Leading hitters for GHS in the match were: Kaiser, 1 for 3, 1 run scored; Wakeley, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; Strohpaal, 1 for 2, 2 steals.

In game two, Standish won 4-1.

Wakeley pitched all seven innings for GHS. He scattered seven hits over seven innings, struck out six, and walked three. "He pitched a strong game," Coach Gorski said.

The match was scoreless through two innings. SSC scored all four of its runs in the top of the 3rd inning. The Panthers scored three runs on a triple with the bases loaded and got one more with a suicide squeeze play.

The Vikings scored their only run in the bottom of the 7th inning. Czapek reached base on an error. Strohpaal walked. A sacrifice fly by Schreiber moved Czapek to third. He scored on a sac fly by Morrill. Metzger singled to put runners at first and third with two outs, but a strike-out ended the rally.

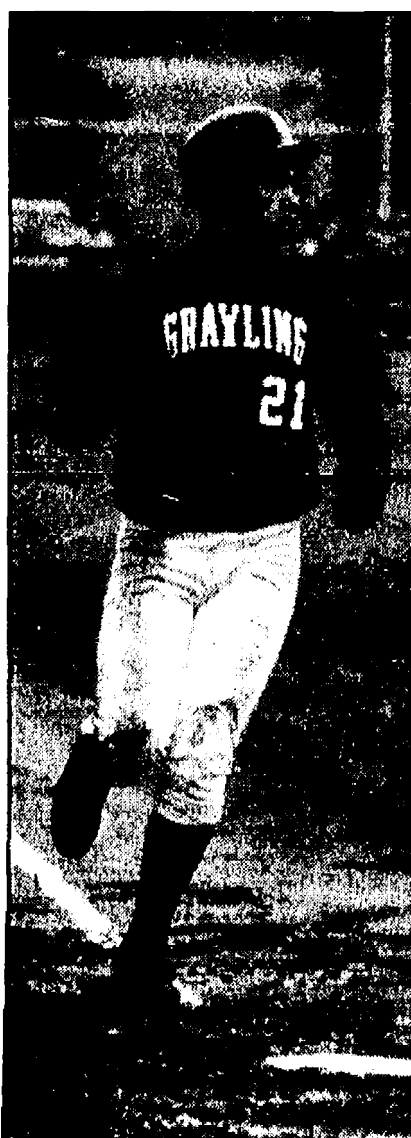
Leading hitters for GHS in game two were: Czapek, 1 for 3, Davis, 1 for 3; Metzger, 1 for 2, 2 walks; Morrill, 1 for 2, 1 RBI.

"The first half of the season saw the young and inexperienced Vikings post a 3-10-1 record. With an infield playing together for the first time, 27 errors, and 57 base on balls by the pitching staff did not make it conducive for a winning season," Coach Gorski said. "A .316 batting average has kept the Viking squad in 10 of the first 14 games. Being a very competitive bunch of athletes who have the character and mindset to win has made the battle to be successful fun."



Photos by Caleb Casey

Andy Strohpaal bunts for Grayling in the series vs. Standish last week.



Roy Czapek approaches home plate in game one of last Tuesday's doubleheader vs. SSC.

The two victories at Harbor Springs began the second half of the season for the Vikings.

The Vikings will host West Branch Ogemaw Heights at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20. On Thursday, May 22, the Vikings will host Bay City John Glenn at 4 p.m.



Ryan Davis delivers a pitch for Grayling in the Standish Sterling series last Tuesday.



Joe Lange puts the ball in play against Standish.

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Joe pitched a no-hitter in a 9-0 Grayling victory over Harbor Springs last week. At the plate, he was 3 for 6 with 2 RBI and 2 steals.

## Alumni Baseball Game set for May 24

All former Grayling High School baseball players are encouraged to participate in the upcoming 3rd Annual Grayling Vikings Alumni Baseball Game, which is scheduled for Saturday, May 24, at 1 p.m.

The format for this year's event will be different from the last two. If there are enough alumni players, the first game will feature graduates of even years vs. graduates of odd years. Following the first six-inning game, the annual homerun derby

will take place. The GHS varsity baseball squad will then play the winners of the first game.

The cost to participate will be \$20 per player, which will include a T-shirt. All proceeds will go directly to Grayling baseball.

Any players interested in playing this year should contact Coach Travis Huber at 344-7606 or (989) 710-0015.

Deadline to sign up will be May 22.

## GHS ALUMNI SPORTS NEWS

Brad Gorski, Glen Oaks Community College Baseball

Gorski, a 2001 Grayling High School graduate, recently completed his second season at Glen Oaks.

He was selected by GOCC's coaching staff as the recipient of the "Viking Award" - which is given to the sophomore that best exemplifies the student athlete and person the Vikings strive to be.

Gorski batted .388 in conference play this year. Overall, he finished the season with a .336 batting average with 3 home-runs, 9 stolen bases, 14 walks, and 4 hit-by-pitch. His on-base percentage was .485.

Gorski will be playing in the Battle Creek Collegiate Wooden Bat League.

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# Soccer team hosts Braves, Owls

Grayling High School's varsity girls soccer team hosted both Tawas and Oscoda in conference match-ups last week.

On Monday, the Vikings lost to the Braves of Tawas by a final score of 8-0.

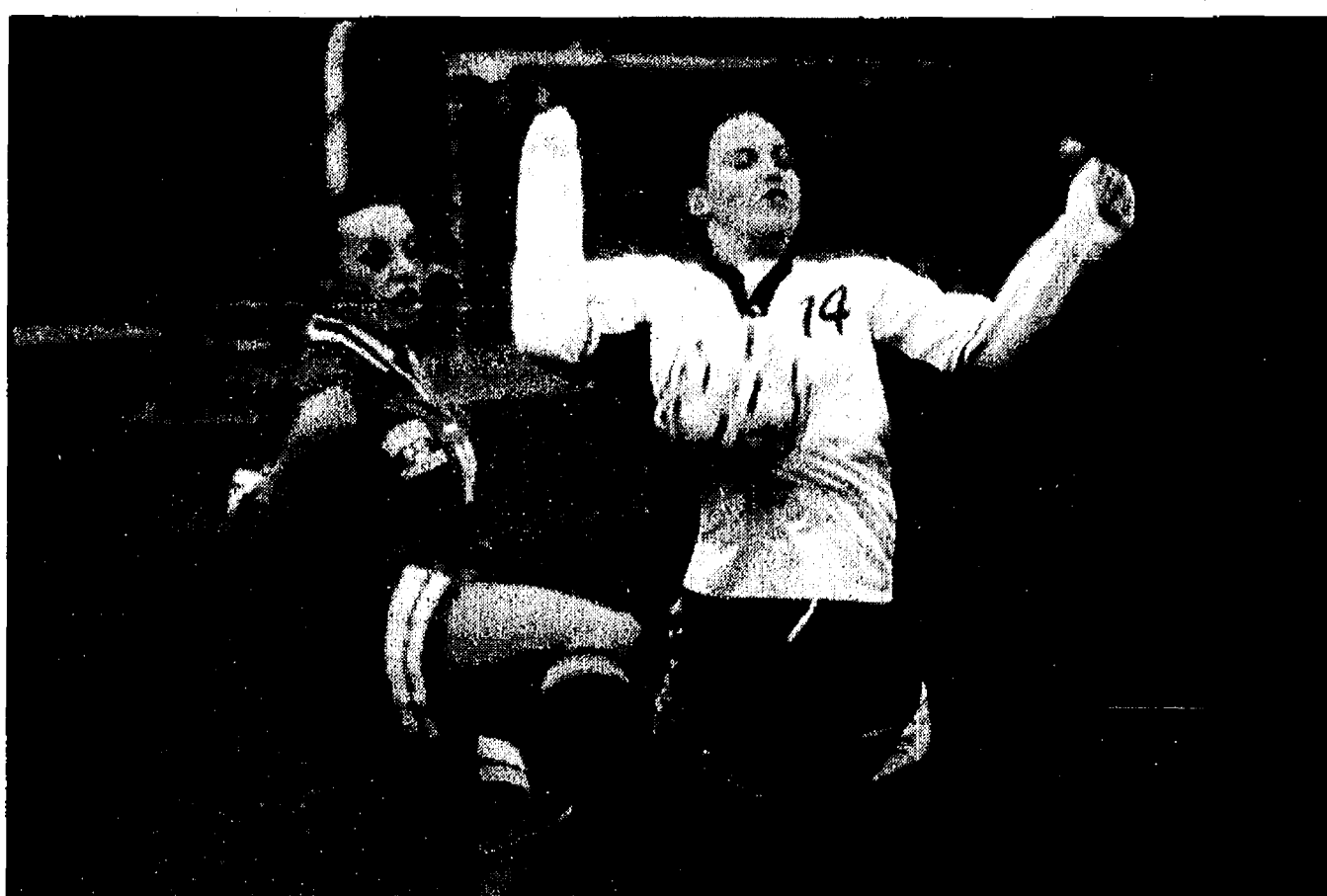
Grayling goalkeeper Ashley Bancroft had 31 saves in the contest.

"Grayling played well in the first half, keeping Tawas to three goals. The defense and midfielders did a great job keeping the ball away from the goal," Coach John Haven said. "In the second half, a very deep Tawas team took 23 shots on goal, scoring on five of them. They were able to pick apart our defense and have 10 different players take shots."

On Wednesday, the visiting Owls of Oscoda defeated GHS 8-0.

Bancroft and Jill Seager combined for 16 saves at the goalkeeper position for Grayling (Bancroft 12, Seager 4). On offense, Seager had two shots on goal and Monica Safin had one.

"The girls played very well today," Coach Haven said. "The ball stayed on our offensive end during much of the game. Michele Belcher and Monica



Photos by Caleb Casey

**Grayling defender Tracey Lewis deflects a ball in last Monday's game against the Braves of Tawas at GHS.**

Safin played tough defense at midfield and kept moving the ball to the forwards."

"Jill Seager split duties between forward and goalkeeper and did a great job. The entire defense did a great job easing

pressure on our keepers," Coach Haven said.

The Vikings will host Boyne City on Friday, May 16, at 5 p.m. The team will host Standish Sterling Central on Monday, May 19, at 5 p.m.



**Grayling goalkeeper Ashley Bancroft makes a save in traffic in last week's game against Tawas.**



**Casey Mahaffy clears the ball for Grayling in the game vs. Tawas.**

## GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

### Wednesday Ladies Golf League

by Donna Thomson  
**Wednesday Ladies League**

The organizational meeting for the Wednesday Ladies League was held on May 7 at 8:30 a.m. with about 30 gals present.

The meeting was called to order by President Mo McNamara. She introduced her board, which consists of Vice-President Evie Kent; Shirley Bendig, Secretary; Marilyn Hartman, Treasurer; Ilene Hatfield; Sally McNamara; and Shirley Schultz.

The golf committee this year is Deanne Weiss, Mary Hamblin, and Bev Zimmerman. Rules committee members are: Nancy Glaslee, Gloria Neilson, and Dorothy Walker.

We will have our annual "Rally for a Cure Day" on June 11, which will also be our guest day for the year. The event will be chaired by Shirley Bendig.

We decided to have at least one potluck this year and it will be on Presidents Day.

Our new Pro Shop Manager -

Rob Lawe - was welcomed and he gave a brief talk on signing in, bag tags, and a few new things being implemented this year.

Our clubhouse has had some wonderful renovations. Our fairways and greens are in great shape.

The sun is shining, so let the good times roll - or should I say let that "little white ball" roll.

After the meeting, about 20 of us went out and enjoyed this great day.

That's all "fore" now.

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## Football program to host dinner meeting

The Grayling High School football program will host a spaghetti dinner/meeting for the 2003 team's players and parents on Friday, May 23, at 6 p.m. at GHS. (The event is geared toward players and parents, but community members interested in the football program are also welcome, Coach Jason Mensing said.)

Participants must bring their own place settings.

The event is not a fund-raiser, but donations will be accepted, Coach Mensing said.

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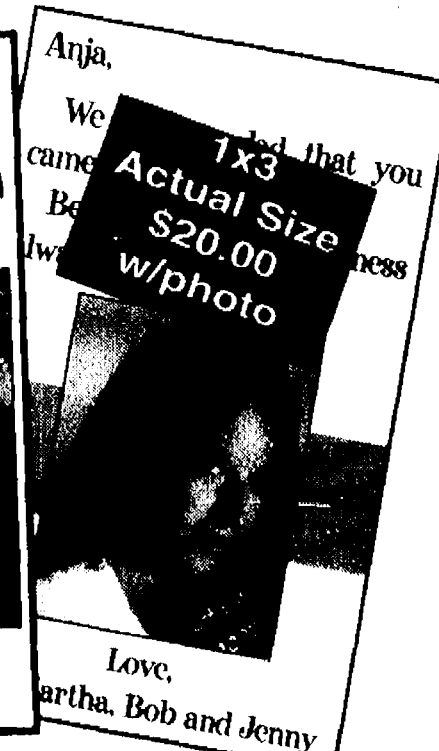
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## Boys track: Vikings host Braves

► Boys squad competes against Tawas, travels to East Jordan

The Grayling High School boys track team competed against Tawas — in the team's only home meet of the 2003 season — on Wednesday, and took part in the East Jordan Invitational last Thursday.

On Wednesday, the Vikings had one 1st place finish, seven 2nd places, and four 3rd place finishers. They were:

Shawn Gabriel, 1st, 800-meter run, 2:14.494;

Pawel Wojcik, 2nd, 110-meter hurdles, 19.307;

Chris Squire, 3rd, 110-meter hurdles, 21.504, 2nd, 300-meter hurdles, 49.116;

Tyler Cragg, 3rd, 100-meter dash, 11.909, 2nd, 400-meter dash, 56.588;

Reagan Schmidt, 2nd, 1600-meter run, 5:15.73, 2nd, 3200-meter run, 11:44.406;

Rich Ryan, 3rd, 300-meter hurdles, 51.01;

Michael Salyers, 3rd, 800-meter run, 2:19.827;

Tim Umlor, 2nd, discus, 116'6".

Final team scores for the meet were: Grayling 30, Tawas 98.

"Tawas won the league in 2002, and they came in and proved to us that they were league champions. The fellas still put on a good fight, they worked their hardest. All in all, they did a pretty good job," Coach Darnell Wilson said. "We had two injuries — Ryan Schmidt cut his hand in the long jump and got about seven stitches — but they came back and finished the track meet. That showed a lot of dedication."

Placements for Grayling in Thursday's East Jordan Invitational included:

Umlor, 6th, discus, 115'00";

Ryan Schmidt, 6th, long jump,



Shawn Gabriel hands the baton to Pawel Wojcik during a relay event at last week's track and field meet at Grayling High School.

18'03.25", 2nd, 300-meter hurdles, 44.55;

Wojcik, 6th, 110-meter hurdles, 19.00;

Cragg, 3rd, 100-meter dash, 11.97, 6th, 400-meter dash, 54.86;

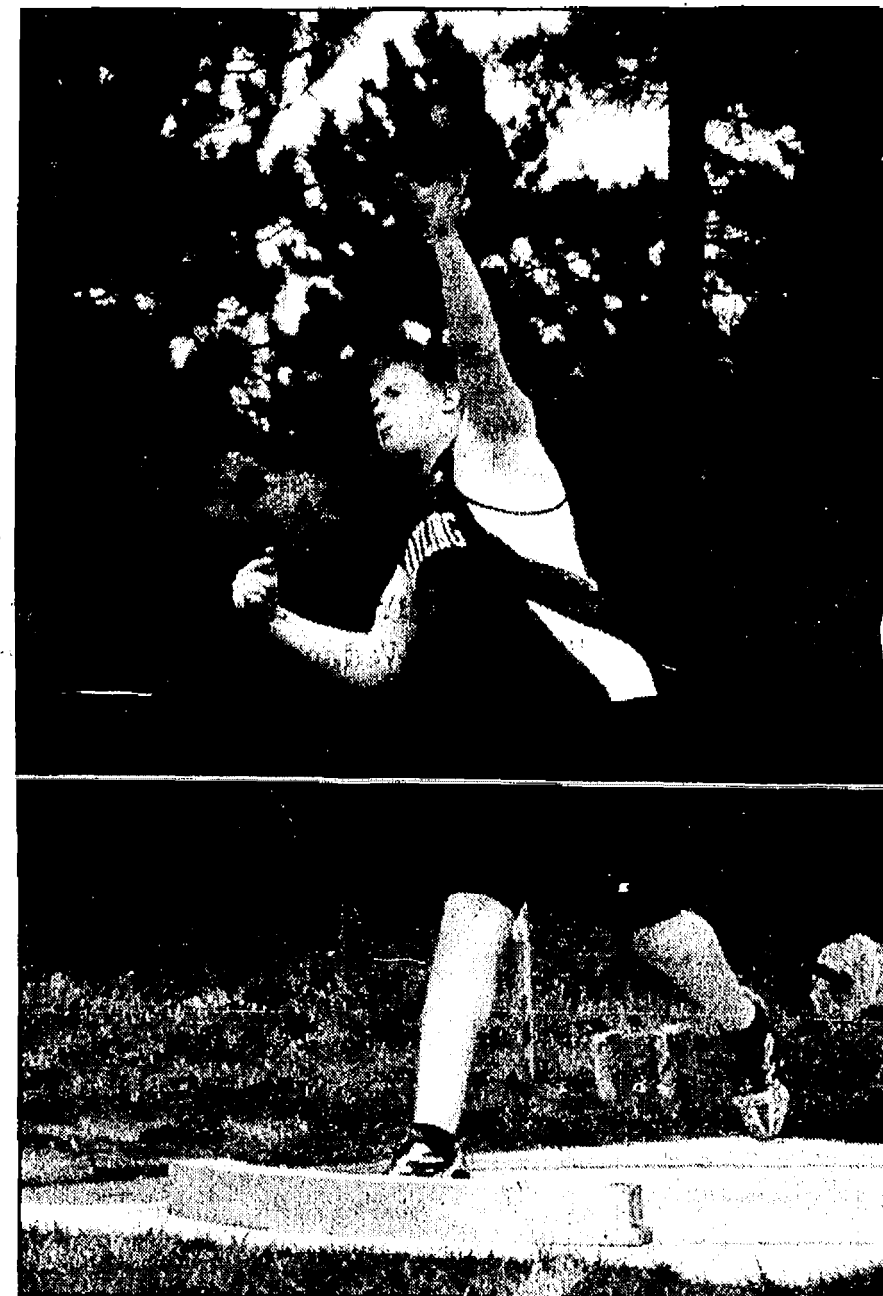
Final team scores at the East Jordan Invitational were: Benzie Central 102; Charlevoix 98; Harbor Springs 92; Kalkaska 73; Central Lake 57; Boyne City 34; Elk Rapids 25; East Jordan 23; Grayling 20.

"A couple guys placed in the top three — that was pretty good. That's the first time that's happened (at the East Jordan Invitational) in the last few years. I felt really good about that. Overall, I felt we did a good job — an excellent job as far

as effort. They represented our team well and gave 100 percent," Coach Wilson said. "Our program is still showing signs of rebuilding."

The Vikings will compete in Regionals on Saturday.

"Our goal is to get as many kids in the state finals as we can," Coach Wilson said.



Tim Umlor throws the shot put for Grayling in last Wednesday's meet vs. Tawas.

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Reagan Schmidt competes in the 1600-meter run for Grayling.

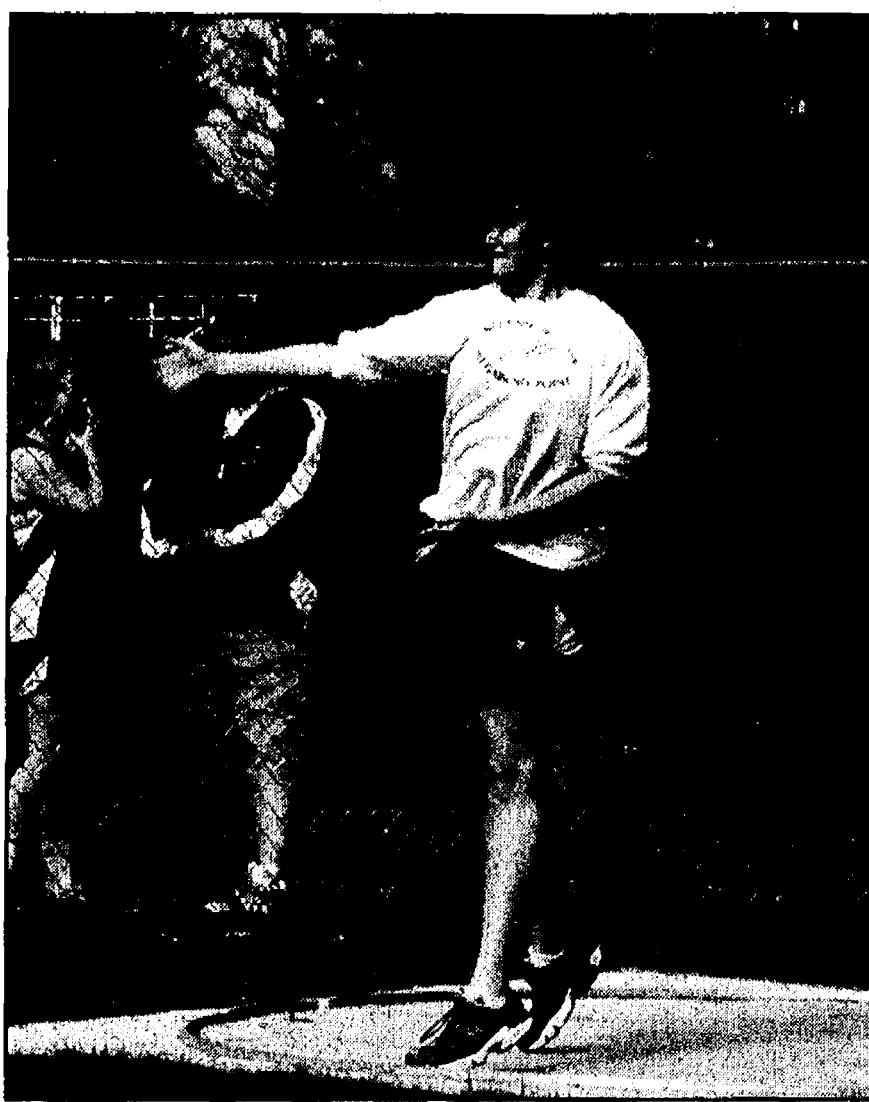


Michael Salyers runs in a relay race for GHS.





Jessica Green takes a leap at the long jump station during last Wednesday's meet vs. Tawas. Green won the long jump with a distance of 16 feet.



Mandy Czapek throws the discus in the track and field meet against the Braves of Tawas at GHS last week. Czapek placed 3rd in the discus event.

## Girls track: Vikings host Braves

► Grayling's girls track & field team wins four events versus Tawas

The GHS girls track team competed against the Braves of Tawas in Grayling's only home track meet of the 2003 season last Wednesday.

The Vikings won four events:

- Tracy Parkinson, 1st place, 100-meter hurdles;
- Jessica Green, 1st, long jump, 16'0";
- Ashley Hawley, 1st, high jump, 4'9";
- 400-meter relay team (Hawley, Jodi Riddle, Briea Frisbie, and Green, 1st, 58.056).

Other Viking placements that earned team points for GHS included:

Justine Tozer, 3rd, 100-meter hurdles, 19.908, 3rd, 300-meter hurdles, 56.635;  
Frisbie, 2nd, 100-meter dash, 14.240, 3rd, 200-meter dash, 30.088;  
Nichole Millar, 3rd, 400-meter dash, 1:22.815;  
Green, 2nd, 200-meter dash, 29.534;  
Mandy Czapek, 2nd, shot put, 26'3", 3rd, discus, 69'7.5";  
Riddle, 2nd, discus, 76'7.75".  
The final team scores were:



Tracy Parkinson (center) competes in the 100-meter hurdles event vs. Tawas at last Wednesday's meet in Grayling. Parkinson took 1st place in the event.

Photos by Caleb Casey

Grayling 37, Tawas 89.

"The girls ran well at home," Coach Heidi West said. "Jess Green is really coming on strong in long jump and the relay teams look good. We are looking forward to Regionals at Gaylord on Saturday."

On Thursday, the Vikings competed in the nine-team East Jordan Invitational track and field meet. GHS finished 8th in

team score.

For Grayling, Green placed 2nd in the long jump (15'5.5") and Parkinson took 3rd in the 100-meter hurdles (17.9).

"Tracy and Jess both put in a great effort on Thursday," Coach West said. "The meet was a good experience, especially for the younger girls. It gave them the chance to mix with some great competition."



Briea Frisbie (left) and Jodi Riddle (right) compete in a dash event for Grayling against Tawas.

## FISHING REPORT

**Rivers:** Walleye fishing on Lake Margrethe has been improving as the water temperatures increase. Try still drifting in 20-35 feet of water with leeches or crawlers. For pike, try still drifting with live sucker minnows. For bluegill, try fishing in 10-20 feet of water using wax-worms or wigglers.

Anglers have been getting a few panfish on the edges of many of the smaller area lakes.

On Houghton Lake, fishermen have been getting great numbers of crappie. Try fishing the canal at dusk.

Anglers have been getting scattered walleye on Houghton Lake by trolling.

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**Lakes:** Good numbers of trout were caught last week. Trout fishing on the AuSable and Manistee has improved steadily

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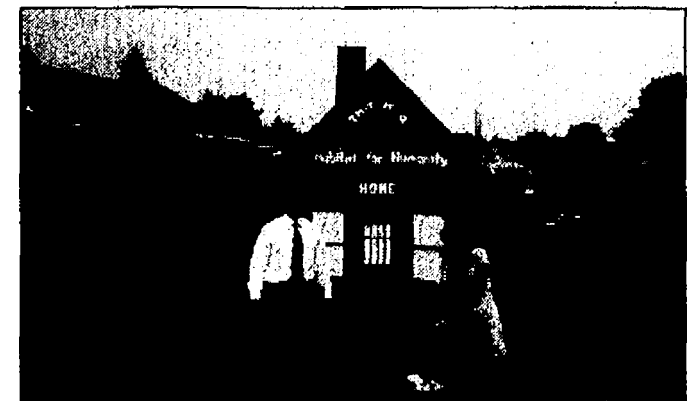
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# Softball team falls to Boyne, Oscoda

The GHS varsity softball team lost recent road matches to the Owls of Oscoda and Ramblers of Boyne City.

On May 1, the Vikings lost 15-0, 12-2 at Boyne City.

In game two, leading hitters for Grayling were: Kelly Duncley, 2 for 2, 1 RBI; Lexi Bondar, 1 for 2, 1 run scored; Patti Martella, 1 for 2, 1 run scored. "Martella is one of the fastest players I have ever coached. When she gets on base, she is almost certain to score," Coach Donna Boughner said.

On the mound, pitcher Chelsea Wolcott struck out four batters. On defense, catcher Emily Harvey threw a runner out at first base and Heather Metzger had a tag-out at third base.

On April 29, the team lost at Oscoda 16-6, 15-5.

Leading hitters for Grayling in the doubleheader were: (game one) Bondar, 2 for 3, 2 runs scored; Martella, 1 for 3, 2 runs scored; Harvey, 1 for 2, 1 run scored; Wolcott, 1 for 1; (game two) Martella, 1 for 3, 1 run scored; Bondar, 1 for 3, 2 runs scored; Duncley, 1 hit (a double) and 1 run scored. Harvey also scored a run in game two on an RBI by Skylynn Palmer.

On defense, Bondar – the center fielder – had a double play.

On Tuesday, May 20, the Vikings will host West Branch



Catcher Emily Harvey throws to third base on a pick-off play in a game against Standish Sterling Central last week.

Ogemaw Heights at 4 p.m. The team will host Bay City John Glenn on Thursday, May 22, at 4 p.m.



Lexi Bondar bats for Grayling in the series vs. Standish last Tuesday.

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# LEGAL ACTION

## RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2003  
Grayling, Michigan

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Wyman at 7:30 P.M.

II. Members Present: Wyman, Wellman, Hayes, Moshier, Palmer

Members Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Michele Moshier, City Clerk, Edward Elsner, Caleb Casey, Carl Lehto, Dough Meroney, Steve Langseth

III. Public Hearing.

None.

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda.

A. Fire Department Monthly Report for March 2003.

B. Letter to DMB dated April 1, 2003.

C. 911 Activity Report for March 2003.

D. Terry McGregor's letter of resignation from Park's Committee.

E. Police Department Monthly Report for March 2003.

F. Email from Jerry Keelan

G. Letter to Angie Camp at Grayling Elementary School

H. Letter from Gosling Czubak

I. Article from Michigan Municipal Review on Codification.

J. Letter from Wendy McIntire

K. Housing Commission Minutes from February 11, 2003.

03-75

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes that the Consent Agenda be approved as revised, taking item H to Old Business. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

V. Approval of Council Minutes

03-76

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman that the minutes of the meeting of March 31, 2003 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

03-77

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Wellman that the minutes of the special meeting of April 9, 2003 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

VI. Old Business.

A. Parks Committee still has two vacant seats to be filled.

B. An offer to purchase the Grayling Reel Pole Building by Randy Thompson was presented. Dale Overmeyer has the first right of refusal on this property. Consensus of the Council is to allow Jerry Hayes to contact someone to appraise the Grayling Reel Pole Building to find out what it is worth before making any decision. Will be brought back to another meeting with more information.

C. Spreadsheet from the City Treasurer with estimated annual costs of the Old City Hall building was discussed. Council would like for Allen Lowe, City Manager, to contact three local Realtors to get a Market Analysis on the property.

D. Building Update Report from Integrity Construction on the New City Hall.

E. Allen Lowe, City Manager walked the southerly five acres of the New City Hall property with Dave Stephenson. There is not enough good wood to pay him to chip the trees. He suggested that we only clear the land that we have an immediate use for.

F. We will have an Open House after the May 12th meeting. Michele Moshier, City Clerk will take care of the arrangements for Refreshments, Cookies, Cake and the invitations. Allen Lowe, City Manager will check on getting a portable billboard to put at the corner of North Down River Road and the Business Loop.

G. Bids for the Fire Station project will be opened on April 25, 2003. Citizens Bank presented the best offer for financing the Fire Station.

03-78

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to borrow \$510,000 with a 3-year balloon from Citizens Bank for the Fire Station. Roll Call Vote: Wyman: Nay, Wellman: Nay, Hayes: Aye, Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Nay, motion failed.

03-79

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Hayes to borrow up to 155,000 255,000 with a 3-year balloon from Citizens Bank for the Fire Station. Roll Call Vote: Wellman: Aye, Hayes: Aye, Moshier: Aye, Palmer: Aye, Wyman: Nay, motion carried.

H. Suzanne Kelley from Gosling Czubak will do the Planning Training after we move into the new building. Proposed dates for the training are for June 2, 2003 or June 16, 2003.

I. Old Furniture.

03-80

Moved by Hayes, seconded by Wellman to authorize Michele Moshier, City Clerk to sell the excess office furniture to the highest bidder. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

J. Allen suggested Part-time benefits as an Addendum to the Policy Manual. Council will look over.

K. Sewer-only Accounts.

03-81

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Hayes to hold a Public Hearing at the April 28, 2003 meeting concerning the proposed added language to Ordinance #25 Section 10, SPECIAL RATES, subsection. Ayes: 4, Nays: 1, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

L. Letter from Gosling Czubak suggested that placing a concrete cap on the existing slab under the pavilion at the City Park is not a good idea. Gosling Czubak recommends investigating what is happening under the slab to see why there is a problem.

VII. New Business.

A. The City Manager presented his recommendations for the 2003-2004 Budget. The Budget Public Hearing will be scheduled for April 28, 2003 City

Council meeting.

B. The Compensation Commission met on April 9, 2003. They are recommending an increase of pay for each City Council Person to \$75 per meeting and an additional \$600 annually for the Mayor. The per diem for out of town meetings has also been increased to \$75 per day. The increases will take effect on the first meeting after the November election unless City Council rejects the proposal.

C. Edward Elsner from the Devereaux Library presented a list of suggestions from the suggestion box from the teen area in the library.

D. Doug Meroney represented GUDA requested to have the removable planters put back in the downtown area.

03-82

Moved by Wellman, seconded by Hayes to purchase 16 "Rosai" planters for the downtown area at \$525 each. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, motion carried.

Doug Meroney also expressed concerns about the shape condition of the streets after last year's paving.

E. Steve Langseth presented a final report on the Industrial Park.

F. The Planning Commission is recommending to the City Council to make the change in the Zoning Ordinance Map as requested.

03-83

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Wellman to approve the change in the Zoning Ordinance Map for making the West side of the Business Loop from the AuSable River to Charles Street and the East side of the Business Loop from Ingham Street to Charles Street from a Zoning of a R-1 District (Single Family Residential) to a C-3 District (Highway Commercial). Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0 motion carried.

03-84

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Hayes to hold a Public Hearing on May 27, 2003 at the City Council meeting regarding the proposed Sign ordinance. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

G. The Crawford AuSable Soccer Association is requesting the donation of the old cash register that the City is no longer using for their concession stand.

03-85

Moved by Palmer, seconded by Wellman to donate the old cash register that the City is no longer using to the Crawford AuSable Soccer Association. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

VIII. Citizens who wish to speak.

Carl Lehto from Gosling Czubak gave a report of current activities that they are working on with and for the City of Grayling as well as future planned activities.

03-86

Moved by Moshier, seconded by Wellman to extend the meeting past 9:30 P.M. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

IX. Reports from ZBA, Planning Committee, Parks Committee

ZBA:

•None.

Planning Commission:

•None.

Parks Committee:

•None.

X. Reports from Manager & City Members.

Manager Report:

•There will be a M-72 Corridor Committee meeting dealing with improvements on April 30, 2003.

Fred Fedak is interested in selling a portion of the parking lot at Shoppenagons. Allen will get more information for the next meeting.

Council Member Reports:

Hayes would like to have a letter sent to Terry McGregor thanking her for her time and effort on the Parks Committee.

Moshier shared a flow chart of what is left to do at the Industrial Park.

Palmer would like to have a maintenance plan looked in to for the City Streets.

IX. Adjournment

03-87

Moved by Moshier, Seconded by Palmer that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 PM

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Arthur Hurst and Madeline Marie Chase, as joint tenants (original mortgagors) to Centex Home Equity Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 2, 2001, and recorded on February 12, 2001 in Liber 528 on Page 484 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Four and 84/100 dollars (\$14,954.84), including interest at 14.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 18, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel 1: A parcel of Land located in the West ten acres of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, being further described as follows: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 33, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, thence North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West along the North line of said Section 1155.66 feet for a point of beginning; Thence continuing North 89 degrees 37 minutes 04 seconds West 163.63 feet; thence South 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds East along the West 1/8 line 443.62 feet; thence South 89 degrees 35 minutes 17 seconds East 163.63 feet; thence North 00 degrees 08 minutes 33 seconds West 443.70 feet to the point of beginning. Be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team F (248) 593-1313  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200226648  
Team F

-15-22-29-5

## Foreclosure Notice

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by James M. Adams and Darlene J. Adams married of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgage

to Fifth Third Bank, successor-in-interest by merger to Old Kent Bank dated the 20th day of June, A.D. 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 30th day of June, A.D. 1997, in Liber 432 of Crawford Records, on page 488, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$23,290.36 (Twenty three thousand, Two hundred ninety dollars and thirty six cents) including interest there on at 8.00% (eight point zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of June, A.D. 2003, at 10:00 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of South Branch, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

The West 1/2 of Lot 46, McNamara's Valley No. 2, according to the recorded plat thereof.

Tax ID: 20-064-541-000-090-01

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of sale, unless determined abandoned, in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 15, 2003  
Wellman, Weinberg & Reis Co.  
L.P.A.  
Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgage  
Wellman, Weinberg & Reis Co.  
L.P.A.  
756 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820  
Troy, Michigan 48064  
WWR#02873412

-15-22-29-5-12

## TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN, OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HEREIN DESCRIBED:

Take notice, sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the

Sheriff for the service and cost of publication of this notice. The service and publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LAND:  
State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Parcel 1 Part of the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Sec 28 T25N R2W South Branch Twp, Comm at the E 1/4 cor of said Sec 28 th N 89d 18m W along the E & W 1/4 line 1646 ft to the pob th cont N 89d 18m W 329.20 ft th N 0d 04m 07s E 1329.24 ft to the N 1/8 line th S 89d 21m 20s E along the N 1/8 line 328.92 ft th S 0d 03m 26s W 1329.56 ft to the pob containing 10.04 ac. Also subject to & use of 66 ft rd & utility easement as recorded in L170 P120 & 121. Amount paid: 1995 taxes \$234.15, 1996 taxes \$242.33.  
Amount necessary to redeem \$714.72 plus the fee of the sheriff, and the cost of legal publication.  
Ronald and Joann McClain, 39463 Edgevale, Sterling Heights, MI 48313.

To: Lewis Sykes, last know address 16159 Sorrento, Detroit, MI 48235, last grantee in the regular chain of title of such land or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of said County, and to their heirs and assigns.  
-15-22-29-5

## Legal Notice

RV & Maxi Storage, 2342 Industrial Street, Grayling, Michigan, will be selling the following units at auction on June 11, 2003, at 12:30 p.m.

Unit 20 - Rented to Betty Kunkel contains: Commercial freezer, furniture, 4-tray commercial serving bar, sewing machine cabinet, portable bar, misc. household items.

Notice is further given that items not claimed by June 10, 2003, will be sold at Auction, June 11, 2003.

Dated: May 2, 2003  
AuSable Investments  
P.O. Box 127  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(989) 348-6460

-08-15

## PUBLIC NOTICE TO RESIDENTS WITHIN 300 FEET

Frederic Township residents be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will be holding a public hearing on May 19, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the Frederic Township Hall. Located at 7564 C.R. 612, to hear the following case:

2003 ZBA 001 Owner: Quick-Sav Food Stores, Petitioner.  
6544 North Old 27  
Frederic, MI 49733  
Parcel #20-032-120-000-040-00

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to install gas pumps on the property located as listed above. Variance to install the gas pumps closer to the lot lines than Frederic Township Ordinance allows for commercial property.

2003 ZBA 002 Owner: Fred Holloway, Petitioner.  
669 Wendy Lane  
Grayling, MI 49738  
Parcel # 20-030-036-016-027-00

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to build a garage closer to the AuSable River than the Frederic Township Ordinance allows.

Tentative text and maps may be examined at the Frederic Township office during normal business hours.

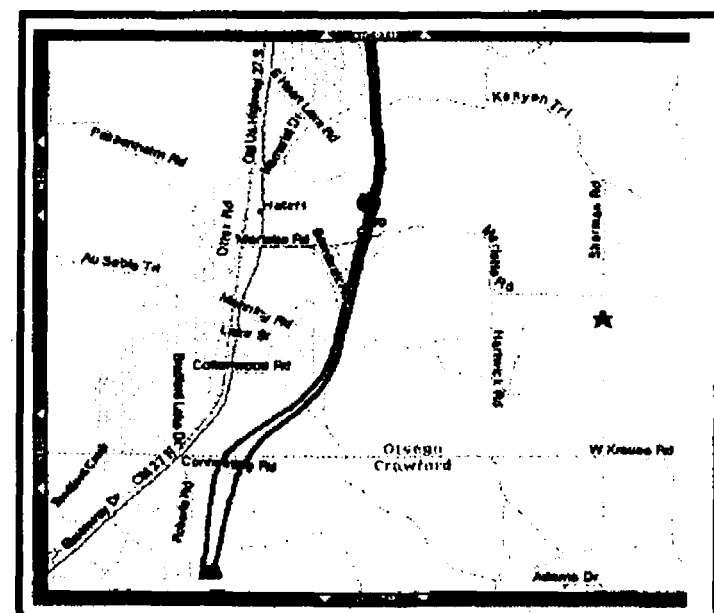
Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to Frederic Township Zoning Dept, P.O. Box 78, Frederic MI 49733 Telephone (989) 348-8840

Douglas Pratt  
Frederic Twp  
Zoning Administrator

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A CONSTRUCTION PERMIT MODIFICATION FOR THE CITY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INC. OF WATERS MUNICIPAL LANDFILL

Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, Section 11510(2)(b), provides for a notice of application for a construction permit for a solid waste disposal area.

On April 14, 2003, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) received a construction permit application from City Environmental Services Inc. of Waters (CESW) to expand the CESW Municipal Landfill (Landfill) vertically 35.1 acres and horizontally 51.3 acres to the east of the currently permitted landfill. The Landfill is located in Section 4, T28N, R3 Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, as shown on the map below.



On Thursday, May 29, 2003, at 6:30 p.m., a Public Hearing will be held at the Maple Forest Township Hall at 3996 North Sherman Road, Grayling, in order to take public comment on the application.

The application includes the following: Construction Permit Application Form, Documentation of Consistency with County Solid Waste Plan, Environmental Assessment, Engineering Report, Operations Plan, Closure/Post-Closure, Geotechnical Evaluation, Construction Quality Assurance Plan, Hydrogeological Report Addendum, Revised Hydrogeologic Monitoring Plan, Engineering Plans, and Landfill Gas Monitoring Plan. The proposed expansion will be constructed and maintained in accordance with the requirements of Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 P.A., as amended, and rules promulgated thereunder. The expansion will result in increasing the disposal capacity at the landfill from seven to thirty-eight years.

The complete application package may be reviewed at the Maple Forest Township Hall located at 3996 North Sherman Road, Grayling, and at the MDEQ, Waste and Hazardous Materials Division, Gaylord Field Office, 2100 West M-32, Gaylord, Michigan, 49735-9282, From 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, expect holidays (telephone number 989-731-4920)

Copies of the complete application package may be ordered from the Waste and Hazardous Materials Division, Gaylord Field Office, for the cost of reproduction upon request.

The MDEQ has until August 11, 2003 to make final decision on the construction permit application.

## MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY WASTE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DIVISION

## PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR LETTER OF INTEREST FROM INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO BE CONSIDERED FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE CRAWFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

All citizens are advised that the Crawford County Transportation Authority (CCTA) is soliciting letters of interest from individuals willing to serve on its Board of Directors.

Terms of office for members of the Board of Directors are Six (6) years. There is currently one seat on the Board of Directors the term of office for which will expire on June 30, 2003. Term limitations do not exist for members of the CCTA Board of Directors, and the individual currently holding that office, Ms. Ruth O'Mara, is eligible for reappointment.

The Board of Directors meets monthly. A primary responsibility of the Board of Directors is to establish the policies governing the business, operations, property and affairs of the CCTA. The Board of Directors additionally receives and reviews management reports for the purpose of monitoring policy compliance and program effectiveness.

All Board Members shall be over the age of eighteen (18) years, with no prior felony convictions.

In order for proposals to be considered they must be either post marked no later than Friday, May 23, 2003 or submitted directly to the CCTA administrative offices in a clearly labeled sealed envelope by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 26, 2003.

Questions or comments regarding this request for proposals are to be directed to Mr. David Frederick, Executive Director, Crawford County Transportation Authority whose office is located at the following address, or who may be reached at the following telephone number.

Crawford County Transportation Authority  
4276 West North Down River Road  
Grayling, Michigan 49738  
(989) 348-8215

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# LEGAL ACTION

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Michael L. Alma a married man and Cynthia A. Alma his wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, a Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 20, 1999, and recorded on May 13, 1999 in Liber 481 on Page 355 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., Assignee by an assignment dated April 20, 1999, which was recorded on July 19, 1999, in Liber 486 on Page 290, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-One Thousand Fifty-Seven and 23/100 dollars (\$31,057.23), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on May 28, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel 1: The North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of that part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, lying East of State Highway US-27. Also the North 215 feet of the South 645 feet of the West 659.43 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 24, 2003

For information, please call:

Team X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200317471  
Team X

## Paid Advertisement

A huge Corporation called Countrywide Home Loan is so huge that I cannot talk to the same person twice! And they laughed at me when I gave the name of the person that I last spoke to, and with laughter they said there are thousands of people that work there, and they could not possibly know who that person was. They have a mortgage literally only on the north portion of the house. The driveway and mailbox is not upon the mortgaged property. 4-17-03

Mortgage between holder of mortgage known as Countrywide Home Loan, Inc. and the assumer of faulted mortgage is

## NOTICE

Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc. is seeking proposals for the provision of substance abuse prevention services for July 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004 in the primary service area of Crawford County. For request for proposal packets please contact: Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc., 1165 Elkview, Suite #1, P.O. Box 1278, Gaylord, MI 49734, (989) 732-1791.

A pre-proposal meeting will be held via conference call on Wednesday, May 14th at 9:00 a.m. Proposals are due to NMSAS no later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 29, 2003.

Federal and State funding has been provided to support in the project costs.

Rex Alma.

Due to a fault in the mortgage contract, I openly believe that no sealed bid should be allowed in the forthcoming mortgage foreclosure sale of the property known also as 4632 Old 27 North, Frederic (with the legal description shown in the accompanying mortgage foreclosure notice by Trott & Trott) due to the fact that the location of the home is not located entirely upon the premises of the mortgaged property description in the mortgage. The property lines are known by survey on record with Crawford County.

The first notice of foreclosure sale is in the April 24, 2003 issue of our local newspaper known as the Avalanche. On January 27, 2003 I notified Countrywide in writing: "I presently own the property which part of the house is located upon. This certainly jeopardizes or at least may virtually prevent the sale of the home and mortgage in any form of good faith and effort."

Despite endless hours of my talking on the phone and Faxes and letters too, Countrywide says it will not negotiate with me but say that Fannie Mae wants it's money! 4-24-03

Countrywide has contacted me upon April 28, 2003 and negotiations are in process. 5-01-03

Rex Alma, Frederic -15

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6626-DE  
Estate of Anthony Michael Jurkovich, Deceased, Date of birth: 03/07/83

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Anthony Michael Jurkovich, who lived at 1124 Ole Dam Road, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died June 19, 2000.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Johanna C. Jurkovich, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: May 6, 2003  
Johanna C. Jurkovich  
1124 Ole Dam Road  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989-348-2920

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## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald B. Graham, an unmarried man (original mortgagors) to Rescue Mortgage, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 16, 2000, and recorded on June 1, 2000 in Liber 509 on Page 51 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Citifinancial

Mortgage Company, Assignee by an assignment dated March 24, 2003, which was recorded on April 16, 2003, in Liber 628 on Page 581, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Two and 04/100 dollars (\$65,462.04), including interest at 10.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 7, Block 10, Original Plat of The Village (now city) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003

For information, please call:  
Team M (248) 593-1306  
Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200315652

-01-08-15-22

## Mortgage Sale

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify us at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis M. Bausman and Vicki L. Bausman, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Commonpoint Mortgage, Mortgagee, dated the 16th day of September, 1997 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 26th day of September, 1997 in Liber 438 of Crawford County Records, page 553, said mortgage having been assigned to The Bank of New York, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 30, 1997, Series 1997-D on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty One & 91/100 (\$89,561.91), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 11th day of June, 2003 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.2500% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Situated in the State of Michigan, County of Crawford and in the Township of South Branch.  
Being Lot 69, and part of Lots 60, 61 and 62 of the recorded plat of River Forest, being part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, of Section 21, part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28, and part of the North 1/2 of section 29, all in T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of lot 69 for a point of beginning; Thence North 33 degrees 46' West 167.00 feet; Thence North 24, degrees 09' West 82.2 feet; Thence North

50 degrees 18' East 200.00 feet; Thence North 60 degrees 11' East 100.00 feet; Thence South 17 degrees 15' East 37.6 feet; Thence South 32 degrees 40' East 204.74 feet; Thence South 43 degrees 28' West 60.2 feet; Thence 190.5 feet along the Arc of a 9 degree 28' 30" curve to the right, the long chord of which bears South 52 degrees 29' 30" West 189.71 feet; Thence South 61 degrees 31' West 50.0 feet to the point of beginning.

During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: May 8, 2003

Fabrizio & Brook, P.C.  
Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)  
Attorney for the Bank of New York  
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470  
Troy, MI 48064  
248-362-2600  
The Bank of New York, Mortgagee

08-15-22-29-05

## Foreclosure Notice

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Fred E. Simpson, a single man to New Century Mortgage Corporation, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated April 22, 2002 and recorded May 1, 2002 in Liber 579 on Page 607, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned to: U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the Registered Holders of the ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2002-NCI, by assignment dated March 27, 2003 and received by and recorded in Crawford County Records on April 3, 2002, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty Four Thousand One Hundred Ninety and 88/100 Dollars (\$184,190.88), including interest at 6.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 o'clock a.m. on May 21, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Parcel B: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 645 feet to the place of beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 353.95 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 64 degrees 34 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 53 degrees 10 minutes West, 113.91 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 305.18 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Place of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West. Parcel C: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West; thence South 88 degrees 06 minutes East, along the North 1/8 line of said Section 24, 412.35 feet to the center line of Twin Bridge Road; thence South 25 degrees 38 minutes East, 745 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 64 degrees 22 minutes East, 305.18 feet; thence North 53 degrees 10 minutes East, 113.91 feet to the right bank of the North Branch of the AuSable River; thence South 86 degrees 58 minutes East, along said river bank, 100 feet; thence South 44 degrees West, 214.12 feet; thence South 64 degrees 22 minutes West, 303.88 feet; thence North 25 degrees 38 minutes West, 100 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being a part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: April 8, 2003

U.S. Bank National Association,  
as trustee, on behalf of the  
Registered Holders of the  
ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates  
Series 2002-NCI,  
Assignee of Mortgagee  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates,  
P.C.  
36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 810  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(586) 795-4400 Ext 111  
Our File No: 03-13292

-17-24-01-08-15

## Mortgage Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian Calkins and Kim Calkins, husband and wife to Bank One, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 31, 2000, and recorded on November 7, 2000, in Liber 522, on page 346 Crawford County Records Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy three thousand three hundred forty four and 57/100 Dollars (\$73,344.57), including interest at 9.990% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 AM on June 4, 2003.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 27, Skyline Heights, Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of plats, page 32, Crawford County Records.

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 4, Town 31 North, Range 7 West, thence North 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds East 260.00 feet, thence South 88 degrees 11 minutes 58 seconds East 330.05 feet to the East line of said Section 4, thence South 01 degrees 00 minutes 24 seconds West along the East line of said Section 4 to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 1, 2003

Attorney For: Mortgagee  
Robert A. Tremain  
& Associates, P.C.

401 South Old Woodward Avenue  
Suite 300  
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616  
For information please call:  
(248) 540-7701  
Bank One, N.A.  
Mortgagee

-01-08-15-22

## STATE OF MICHIGAN 46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT KALKASKA COUNTY PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF FRIEND OF THE COURT ANNUAL STATUTORY REVIEW PUBLIC NOTICE

Annual Review of Performance Record of the Friend of the Court

Under Michigan law the chief circuit judge annually reviews the performance record of the Friend of the Court. The review will be conducted on or about July 1, 2003. This review is limited by law to the following criteria: whether the Friend of the Court is guilty of misconduct, neglect of statutory duty, or failure to carry out the written orders of the court relative to a statutory duty; whether the

purposes of the Friend of the Court Act are being met; and whether the duties of the Friend of the Court are being carried out in a manner that reflects the needs of the community. Members of the public may submit written comments to the chief judge relating to these criteria. Send your written comments, with your name and address, to:

Honorable Alton T. Davis  
Chief Judge  
200 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738

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## NOTICE BY PERSONS CLAIMING TITLE UNDER TAX DEED:

To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon, the Lands herein described, and to Thelma S. Cochran and to her unknown Husband, owners of last recorded title according to the Crawford County records, and to William D. Perry, Karen E. Perry, Marry Perry and their Unknown Spouses claiming ownership interest according to Crawford County records, and to their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, and assigns, including those who are legally incompetent to act in their own behalf.

**TAX NOTICE:** Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50 percent in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an Action, without other additional cost of charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for possession of the land.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY:** State of Michigan, County of Crawford, Township of Maple Forest, Town 28 North Range 3 West, Section 16, Parcel C: Comm at N 1/4 cor of Sec 16, th N 89deg 38min W 814.46 ft. to POB, the S 0deg 18min E 671 ft, th N 89deg 38min W 165 ft, the N 0deg 19min west 671 ft, th S 89deg 38min East 165 ft to POB. 2.54 acres 100% Parcel Number: 20-020-016-005-070-00 100%

DEED NUMBER: 516  
TAX FOR YEAR: 1996  
AMOUNT PAID: \$136.47  
AMOUNT NECESSARY TO REDEEM: \$204.71 (plus sheriff fees)

(signed) Farm and Forest Enterprises  
DBA of Collin K Burnett, P.O. Box 784,  
Saline, MI 48176

-15-22-29-5

## STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

File No. 03-6624-DE  
Estate of Arthur Victor Carlson,  
Deceased, Date of birth: 09/03/23

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Arthur Victor Carlson, who lived at 801 Chestnut Street, Grayling, Michigan, 49738 died April 5, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Julie Powers-Gehman, named Personal Representative or proposed Personal Representative, or to both the Crawford County Probate Court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named Personal Representative within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: May 6, 2003  
Ronald J. Kirkpatrick (P24887)  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
PLUNKETT & COONEY, P.C.  
123 West Main Street, Suite 302  
Gaylord, MI 49735  
(989) 732-6440  
Julie Powers-Gehman  
Personal Representative  
544 E.  
Petoskey  
Gaylord, MI 49735

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## PUBLIC NOTICE TO RESIDENTS WITHIN 300 FEET

Frederic Township residents be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will be holding a public hearing on May 19, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the Frederic Township Hall. Located at 7564 C.R. 612, to hear the following case:

2003 ZBA 003 Owner: Ann Patterson, Petitioner.  
7119 West County Road 612  
Frederic, MI 49733  
Parcel #20-032-240-000-007-00

The Petitioner is requesting a variance in order to build an addition and garage closer to the rear property line than Frederic Township Ordinance allows.

Tentative text and maps may be examined at the Frederic Township office during normal business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to Frederic Township Zoning Dept, P.O. Box 78, Frederic MI 49733 Telephone (989) 348-8840

Douglas Pratt  
Frederic Twp  
Zoning Administrator

## GRAYLING TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, May 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Grayling Township meeting room at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, to take public comment on the adoption of a new zoning ordinance, zoning map, and schedule of township fees.

If adopted by the Planning Commission, the new ordinance must then be sent to the Crawford County Planning Commission for their comments before final consideration by the Grayling Township Board of Trustees. Notice must then be published in the Crawford County Avalanche within fifteen days of final adoption. The new ordinance will take effect upon expiration of seven days after publication.

Copies of the new ordinance, map, and fee schedule, are available for reading at the township hall during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on Monday, May 26, for the Memorial Day observation.

The public is encouraged to attend.

Terry R. Wright  
Supervisor

## SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP CLEAN UP DAY MAY 24, 2003 & SEPTEMBER 13, 2003 WASTE MANAGEMENT OF CENTRAL MICHIGAN CLEAN UP COLLECTION LIST

Waste management is pleased to offer the residents of the South Branch Township roll off service for their annual clean up. While we strive to provide superior customer satisfaction with this program, there are some items that we simply cannot dispose of in a solid waste landfill for environmental reasons.

**As a general rule clean up items include:**  
• Household furniture, including chairs, couches, mattresses and tables.

**Clean up items DO NOT include:**

- Any liquids including unsolidified paint, motor oil and antifreeze.
- Yard waste, leaves, or brush.
- Appliances containing Freon.
- Chemicals or other hazardous waste.
- Flammables and explosives.
- Dangerous items, such as gasoline or hot ashes, burning barrels.
- Car batteries and transmissions.
- Tires.
- Concrete, blocks, brick and stone - and all building material.
- Engine blocks other metal car parts.

**NO METAL OR BRUSH**  
This list is not all-inclusive.  
Pioneer and Mcmasters refuse sites  
MUST HAVE PERMIT TO ENTER



# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago  
May 15, 1980

Steve Sauve, who wrestled as a freshmen for Coach Don Ferguson's high school squad this season, battled his way into the National Freestyle Wrestling Tournament Finals.

Crawford County Clerk Leo Lovely swore in Sheriff Joe White at courthouse ceremonies on Friday. White will complete the unexpired term of Curt Haas, who resigned his post and moved to Florida.

The Grayling High School Counseling Department announced that Melissa Meldrum, daughter of Patricia and Duane Petrie has qualified as a National Merit Semifinalist. Melissa's score on this test places her among a very small number of outstanding students.

A formal Dedication Service is scheduled for this Sunday, followed by a Festival Service as members of the Mt. Hope Lutheran Church congregation celebrate the opening of their new facility located north of Grayling.

A 15 foot Sugar Maple tree was planted at the Crawford County Historical Museum Saturday in memory of the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church 100th Anniversary, now being celebrated by congregational members.

Gary Belknap received the 8th Annual 'Cribbage Tournament Trophy. He received the crown at Camp Grayling.

The Cub Scout Fathers beat the Deputy Sheriff's Association, 50-38. The game netted close to \$1,000 to be used for scout activities. Cub Scout Fathers accepting the trophy were Duane Cory, Steve Houlton, Howard Lehti, Bill Ellingboe, Fred Allen, Wayne Casler, Fred Wolcott, Jack Hull, Dave Sabin, John Millikin, Ross Argue and Mark Cook.

Eighty-three aircraft, all shapes and sizes, flew into Grayling's McNamara Field Sunday to participate in Kirtland Community College's 4th Annual Dawn Patrol.

The Grayling Middle School Girls' Track Team continued to show excellence as they defeated Gaylord, Inland Lakes and St. Ignace. The girls have yet to be defeated this year.

Northern National Bank President, Ted Kortess, announced that the grand opening of the new Northern National Bank located on the I-75 Business Loop will be held on May 23. The bank's book-keeping staff includes Shirley Johnson, Beth Trenary, Jim Paris and Dianne Tobin.

Mrs. Janet Dice held her students Spring Piano Recital at the Michelson Methodist Church. Students taking place were Paul Reinhardt, Karen Rauch, Gretchen Dice, Jennifer Naour, Ginger McEvers, Patrick Nunn, Paula Nunn, Leslie Fraser, Heather Stephenson, Wendy Williams, David Somerville, Andy LaGrow, Theresa McDonald and Angie Larson.

During the annual Girl Scout Recognition and Fly-Up planning meeting, Barbie Brooks, Crawford County Girl Scout Service Unit Director, received a special appreciation pin for her years of effort and leadership in Crawford County.

46 Years Ago  
May 16, 1957

The second annual AuSable Bowfishing Carnival drew nearly 200 archers into Grayling last weekend to compete in a shoot for suckers in the AuSable River. Largest of the suckers taken was a 21-inch weighing five pounds, shot by Bob Stowe of Atlanta.

Last Thursday evening the Grayling American Legion Post 106, took another step forward when they opened their bowling alley doors to the public with new A.M.F. automatic pin setters.

Six Grayling High trackmen qualified at the Regional track meet in Traverse City last Saturday, to compete in the State High School Track Meet at East Lansing this Saturday. Trackman who qualified were Dave Lowe, Duke LaMotte, Charles Garland, Ronnie Kellogg, Richard Moore and Larry Yoder.

Thirty-three students of the occupations class were taken to Midland to tour the Dow Chemical Company plant. They were given samples of saran wrap, aspirin, water softener and styrofoam, all products which Dow Chemical makes.

Showing this week at the Rialto is "Oklahoma" with Shirley Jones and Gordon McCrae.

69 Years Ago  
May 17, 1934

Grayling, like all other spots in

Michigan, got a taste of the dust storm last Thursday that prevailed in the Midwestern States. There was lots of dusting to do for several days following.

National Hospital Day was observed Saturday at Mercy Hospital with a tea. There was a small crowd visiting the hospital that day.

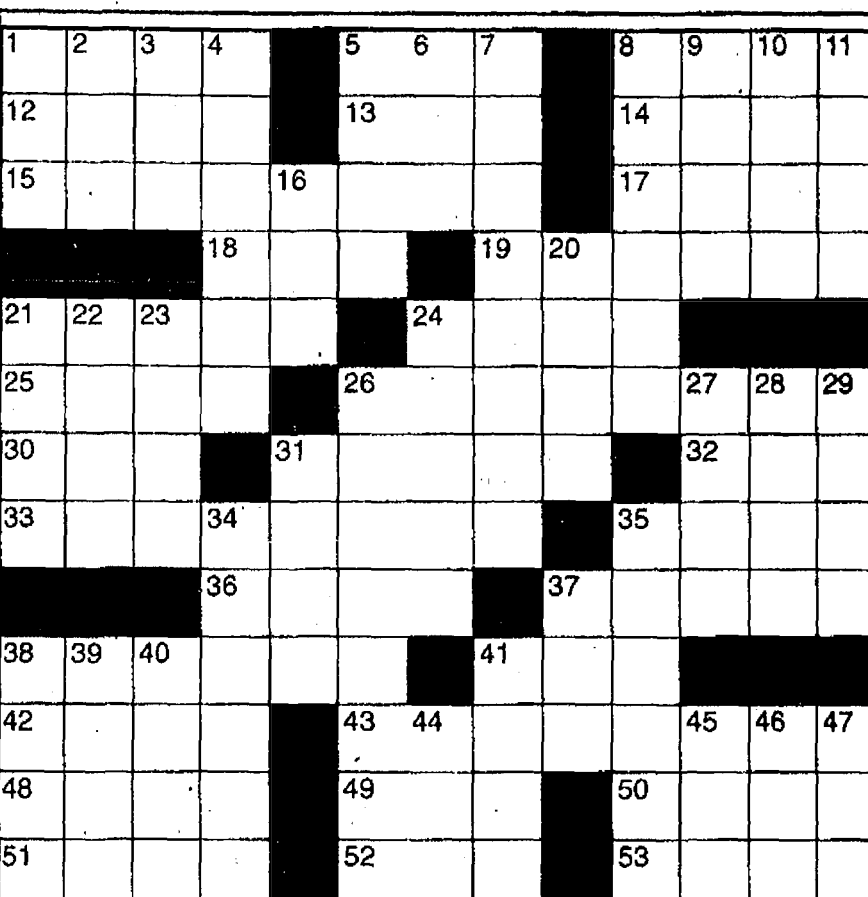
92 Years Ago  
May 18, 1911

C.W. Miller of Lovells sent down a two-year old root of Mammoth clover, which measured four feet in length which he pulled from the AuSable Ranch Company's meadow, on the so-called plains. A prime crop was cut from the land last season, and promises better.

The May payment of the Primary School fund to this county is \$7.00 per capita aggregating as follows: Grayling, \$4,452; South Branch, \$765; Frederic, \$1,547; Beaver Creek, \$477.60; Maple Forest, \$714.80. Total: \$7,646.60.

The new Grayling Hospital was dedicated Tuesday morning by Rt. Reverend Father Richter, Bishop of the Diocese of Grand Rapids. In the afternoon the cornerstone of the building was laid by Reverend Father Robert W. Brown, of Grand Rapids, after which, on account of inclement weather, the assembly led by the Citizens Band marched to the opera house. The building has been in use for the last month and already ten patients are being treated. It was erected by the subscriptions from men all over the county and was afterwards turned over to the Sisters of Mercy for their management.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Drunkard
5. San Diego attraction
8. Misters
12. Tycoon Onassis et. al.
13. Hockey legend
14. Malay dagger
15. Made void
17. Far or Down
18. Turkish general
19. Simple dresses
21. VP Agnew
24. Winter's Tale lord
25. Young goats
26. Slave
30. DDE's nickname
31. Dike
32. Cholera
33. Bothered
35. Emulate Schwarzenegger
36. Jungle sound
37. Begin's peaceful co-honoree
38. Form a recess
41. Shallow skillet
42. Daphne's surname on "Frasier"
43. Frozen formations
48. Among
49. Slangy head
51. Abrade
50. Snoods
52. Shaw's monogram
53. Remain behind

### DOWN

1. Fem. soldier
2. Lyricist Gershwin
3. Winter Of Artifice author
4. Madison and Levant
5. Novelist Emile
6. Galena, e.g.
7. Destined
8. Knitters' purchases
9. Ayatollah's land
10. Get up
11. Fast jets
16. Pride
20. Mineral vein
21. Omit
22. Walleyed fish
23. "Beware the \_\_\_\_\_ of March"
24. Seat of power in Delaware
26. Scolding
27. Cheddar designation
28. General vicinity
29. "The \_\_\_\_\_ Voice You Hear"
31. Actor Ames
34. Subjects for John Naisbitt
35. Bluffers
37. Weeping sound
38. "\_\_\_\_\_ Ordinary Man" (My Fair Lady) 2 wds.
39. Iditarod terminus
40. "Just \_\_\_\_\_" (Nike's slogan) 2 wds.
41. Arachnid creations
44. Short-legged horse
45. Cat's prey

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## Balsamic Chicken Salad

### Balsamic Mustard Dressing\*

4 3-ounce boneless, skinless chicken breast

- 1 large sweet onion, cut into 12 wedges
- 2 quarts mixed salad greens
- 2 cups Welch's Fresh (seedless) Grapes
- 2 tablespoons sliced fresh basil

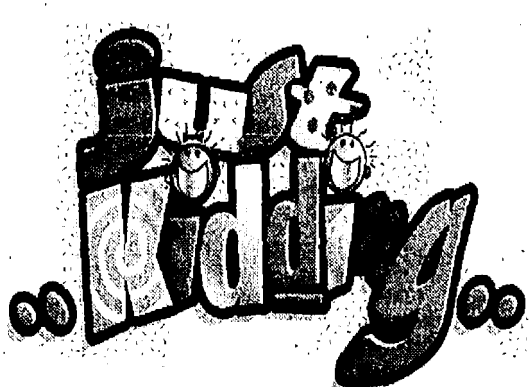
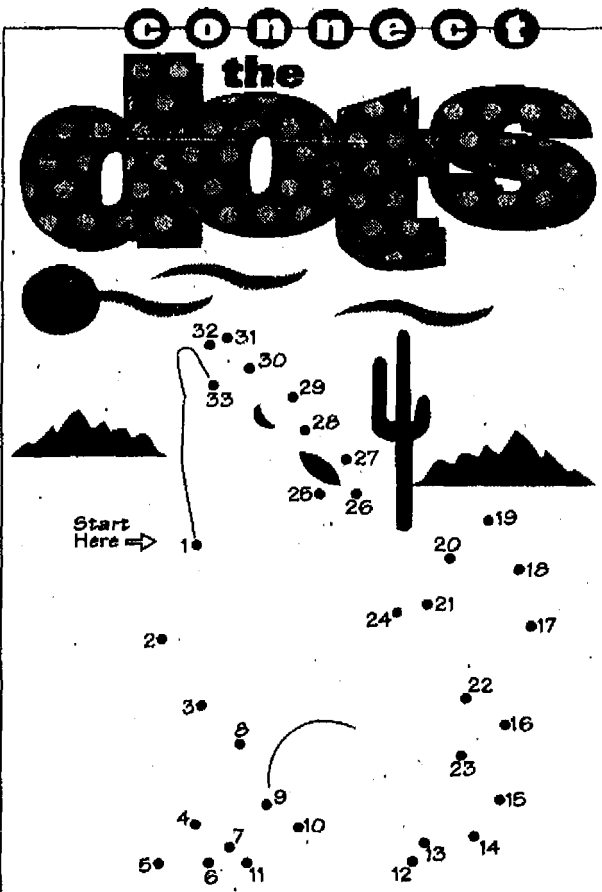
### \*Balsamic Mustard Dressing Preparation:

Combine 1/3 cup balsamic vinegar, 1 tablespoon Dijon-style mustard, 1/4 teaspoon each seasoned salt and sugar and 1/8 teaspoon ground pepper. Makes about 1/3 cup.

### Salad Preparation:

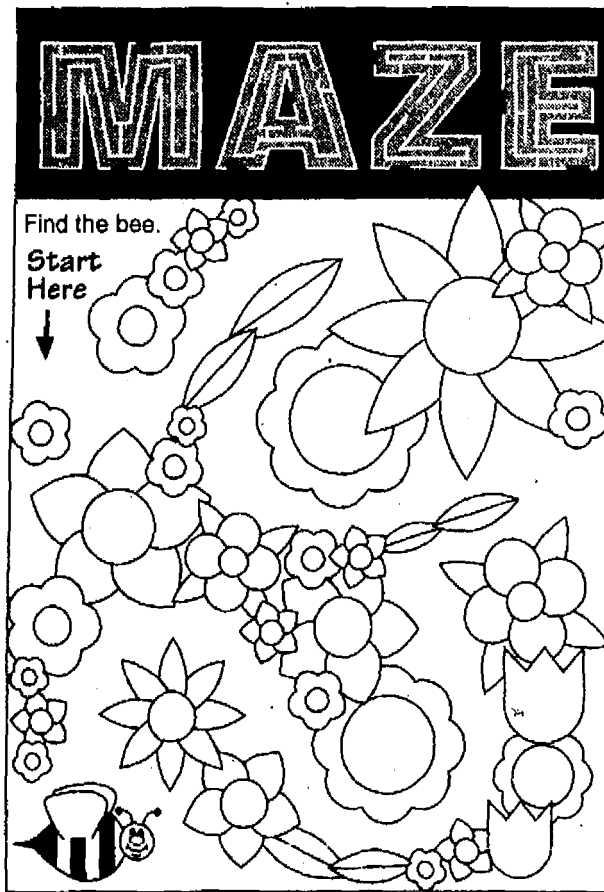
Pour 2 tablespoons Balsamic Mustard Dressing into a small bowl and brush chicken and onion wedges with it. Let brushed chicken and onion stand 5 minutes. Grill chicken until juices run clear. Grill onion wedges 3 to 5 minutes per side. Toss salad greens, grapes, grilled onion, basil and remaining Balsamic Mustard Dressing. Slice chicken and arrange over tossed green mixture. Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition Analysis Per Serving: Calories 227; Protein 21.0g; Fat 3.3g; Calories from Fat 12%; Carbohydrate 30.6g; Cholesterol 47mg; Fiber 4.7g; Sodium 319mg.



## DID YOU KNOW

Titan, Saturn's largest moon, is the only moon in the solar system known to have an atmosphere of any substance.

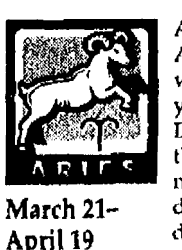


## HOROSCOPES

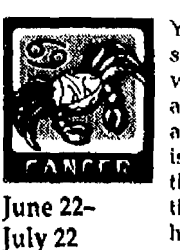
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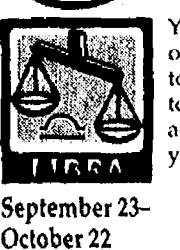
**Capricorn**  
December 22-January 19  
Trouble is brewing between coworkers. Now is not the time to get involved in a dispute or play mediator. Ignore the fight and focus on the projects at hand.



**Aries**  
March 21-April 19  
A friend has hurt you. At some point you will have to decide if you can forgive them. Don't take forever, though. You have too many other things to do to let the situation drag on.



**Cancer**  
June 22-July 22  
You have great stamina, and you will certainly need it as you try to wrap up a project at work that is long overdue. Make the most of your free time now—it will be hard to come by.



**Libra**  
September 23-October 22  
You've been in your own little world far too long. Reach out to family and friends and find out what you've been missing.



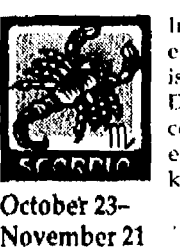
**Aquarius**  
January 20-February 18  
A series of computer glitches will cause you to lose important data. Don't let it get to you. Push past it and move on to more important things. An unusual package arrives in the mail.



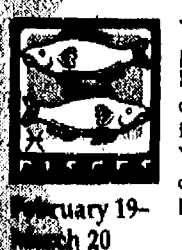
**Taurus**  
April 20-May 20  
Opportunities abound; it's up to you to make the most of them. A family member snaps at you—don't be taken aback. They're in crisis mode.



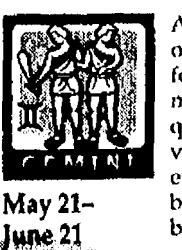
**Leo**  
July 23-August 22  
A few of your friends have told you that you let people walk all over you. Ignore them. You can be tough when you need to be, and that time may soon come.



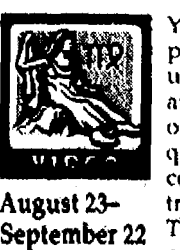
**Scorpio**  
October 23-November 21  
In spite of your best efforts, a friend's idea is not well received. Do your best to console them, and encourage them to keep trying.



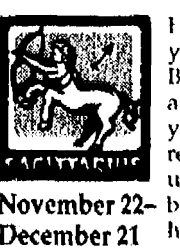
**Pisces**  
February 19-March 20  
You're such a perfectionist! Don't let it get in the way of completing a home improvement project. You're on a tight deadline and it's too late to start over.



**Gemini**  
May 21-June 21  
A colleague's observation will force you to think and may even make you question some of your values. Consider everything carefully before making any big changes.



**Virgo**  
August 23-September 22  
You want the new position opening up at work, but attempting to outmaneuver a more qualified candidate could get you into trouble. Just wait. There will be other opportunities.



**Sagittarius**  
November 22-December 21  
Honesty should be your motto this week. Be true to yourself and everyone around you, and you will be rewarded in ways unimaginable. A business acquaintance has an important question.

## Adopt a Pet



Cuddles is a very nice dog. She is housebroken, spayed, and up to date on all of her shots. She has been heartworm tested and is ready to find a new home. She is a 3 year old German Shepherd mix.

Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Winter was especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, and Wild Animal-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the Avalanche for either item.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at: 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling

Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 3 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast					
Date	H	L	Rain	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
5/07	49	41	.04						
5/08	65	40							
5/09	69	44	.03						
5/10	67	47	.71						
5/11	78	55							
5/12	62	39	.21						
5/13	42	37	.01						
	<b>High</b>	<b>Low</b>		<b>High</b>	<b>Low</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>High</b>
	66	44		65	66	69	67	67	67
	42	43		44	45	43	46	46	46
	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Showers	Partly Cloudy	Few Showers	Scattered Showers			



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FOR SALE BY OWNER Spacious completely updated three bedroom, two bath home close to hospital and schools. Freshly painted with ceramic counter tops, fireplace, new carpet and laminate flooring in dining room. First floor laundry, two car attached garage with large, heated bonus room. Hot water heat. Possession at closing. \$78,900 Call (989) 348-4443. (-8-15/1)

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### 1. Real Estate

MOBILE HOME FOR SALE White Pine Rd. off of Manistee River Rd. Two bedroom built on back room. Two car garage, little over 2.5 acres. (989) 348-5741 (-8-15-22-29/1)

THREE BEDROOM, TWO Bath ranch style home. 1,768 sq. ft. with attached breezeway and double car plus garage. Double plus lot in Karen Woods Subdivision just one mile from town off M-72 West in Grayling. \$125,000 (989) 348-2431 (-1-8-15-22-29/1)

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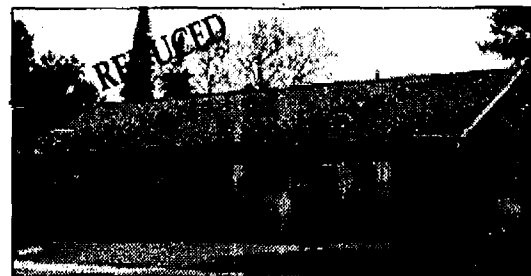
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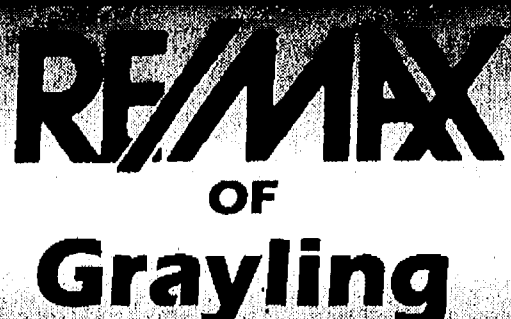


12 x 60 2 Bedroom Mobile with 12 x 15 Addition. North of Fletcher Road off Old 27 on McCullum Trail. 100' x 165' Lot, well and septic, cozy and clean. In the middle of everything. (734) 946-9078

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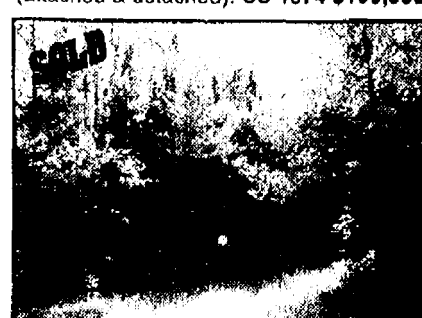
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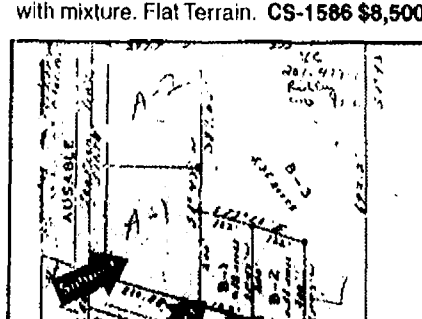
VICTORIAN HOME WITH TRADITIONAL ELEGANCE! 4 bedroom, 2 bath recently remodeled. New oak kitchen cabinets & appliances. Pergo floors. Formal dining area, large living room with fireplace, full basement. 2 car garage on double city lot. CS-1311 \$155,000



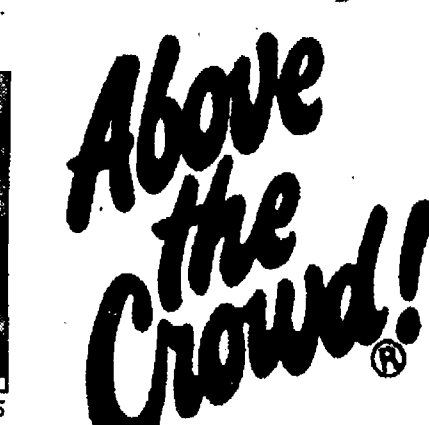
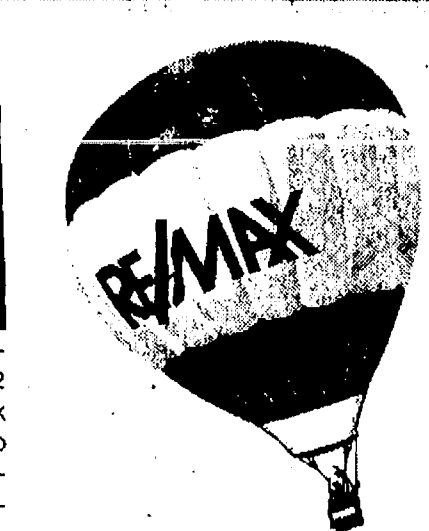
471 FEET AUSABLE RIVER WITH 2.75 ACRES. Tranquil setting with lots of wildlife. Custom built home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths with 1600 sq. ft. Open floor plan with living room, family room, kitchen and dining area. Master bedroom offers walk in closet. Computer room or den off upstairs bedroom. Full finished basement with laundry facility. Hot tub off back deck. Hot water heat (wood or propane). Manicured lawn with 55 sprinkler heads and 4 zones. 2 garages (attached & detached). CS-1674 \$199,000



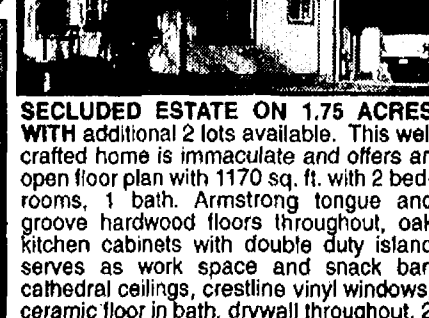
NICE BUILDING SITE 1.43 acres of pines with mixture. Flat Terrain. CS-1586 \$6,500



505 FEET OF PRIME COMMERCIAL FRONTAGE ON M-72 WEST! Cleared building site with mixture of trees. Corner of M-72 West and AuSable Trail Road. Cash/Possible Land Contract. CS-1415 \$132,000



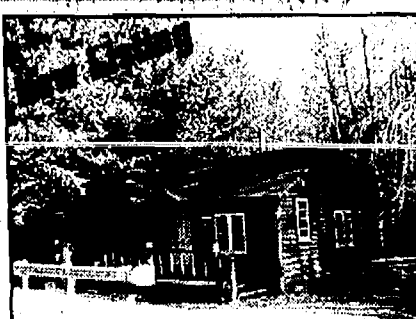
PRIVATE ACCESS TO AUSABLE RIVER and close access to State Land, hunting and snowmobile trails. Very neat & clean 1,000 SF cottage, vaulted beamed ceiling, knotty pine interior, new carpet, split stone fireplace, open staircase, built-in gas grill, and sliding door onto 12 x 16 deck. Updated vinyl siding, replacement windows, and entry porch. Mostly furnished. CH-1745 \$62,500



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ADJOINS AUSABLE RIVER STATE FOREST! Quality custom full log home on 5 acres of hardwoods. 1,200 s.f. plus full walk out basement. Vaulted ceilings, knotty pine interior, hardwood and ceramic tile flooring. 3 BR, 2 bath. Very Secluded! CH-1715 \$159,900



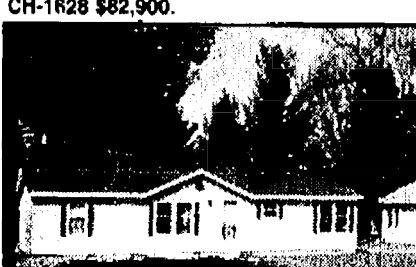
116' ON THE STURGEON RIVER!!! Neat and clean 374 SF, 1 bedroom full log cottage. Vaulted ceilings, 12 x 12 screened porch, wood stove, most furnishings included, out house on septic tank (no bathroom). Close access to Pigeon River State Forest, and Treetops Golf/Ski Resort. Great get-a-way. Must see to appreciate. CH-1742 \$53,900



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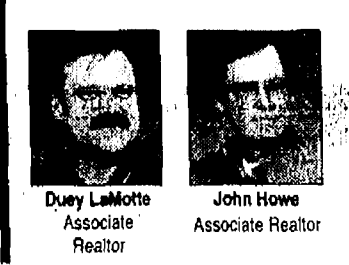
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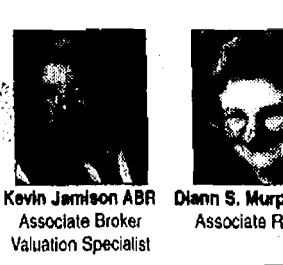
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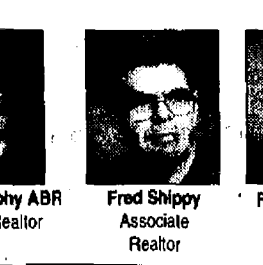
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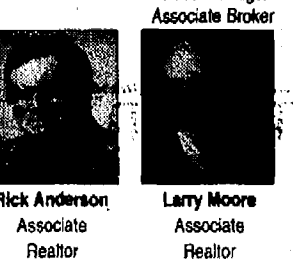
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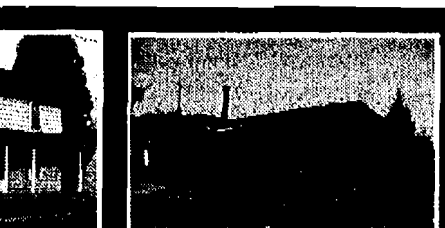
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MANISTEE RIVER RARE FIND. A rare 2 BR, 1 Bath find on the Manistee River. Privacy, beautiful view, and over 3 acres. Square footage based on Township figures, actual believed to be larger. \$169,000 #226530



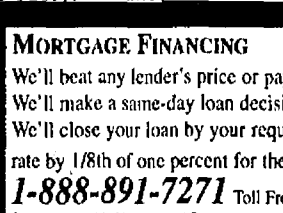
3 FAMILY APARTMENT Large 5 BR, 3 bath home converted to 3 apartments for reasonable income and/or investment opportunity. Each unit includes a refrigerator and gas stove, and is leased by the month. No units are furnished. \$48,900 #224515



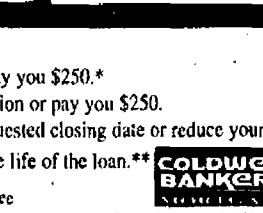
CENTRAL AIR • WORKSHOP • PRIVACY Private 2 bedroom, two bath home with central air, new cabinets, a wood stove, and a 10' x 24' screened porch. Also offers a 30' x 40' heated and air conditioned pole barn with workshop. \$99,900 #222891



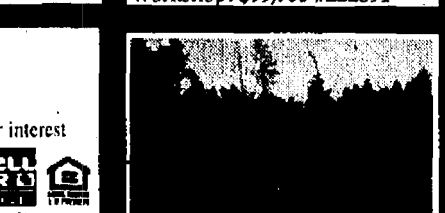
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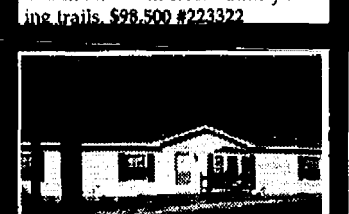
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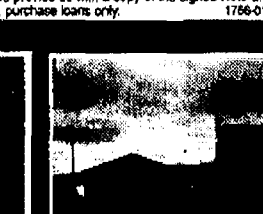
LARGE MANUFACTURING BUILDING Large manufacturing building in Grayling with access to I-75 in a community looking for the right business. Don't let this one get by you. Great area, great labor in a small town to start your business. \$1,050,000 #224648



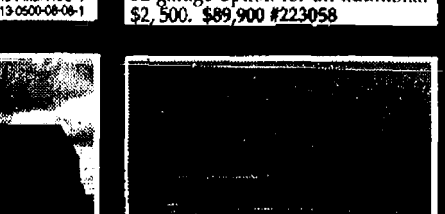
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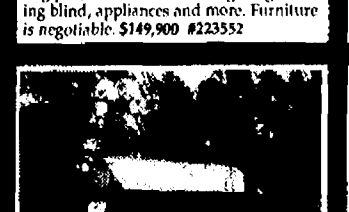
CHARMING COUNTRY CHALET Charming 3BR, 2 bath country chalet. Two full baths, beautiful master suite with loft that overlooks living room, large deck, 24 x 28 heated garage. Close to State Land. \$119,000 #223639



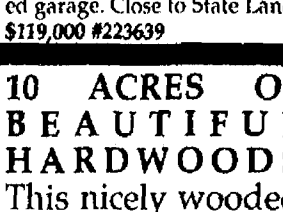
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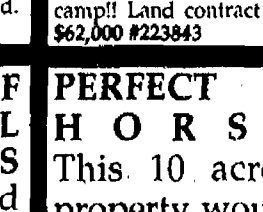
PERFECT FOR HORSES This 10 acres of property would be excellent for horses about 90% pasture, possible sight for pond - private off the main road. \$21,000 #223991



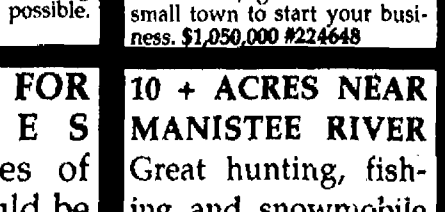
10 ACRES OF BEAUTIFUL HARDWOODS This nicely wooded acreage has 70% of tree coverage. Perfect spot for hunting and camping, small out house on property. \$29,900 #224240



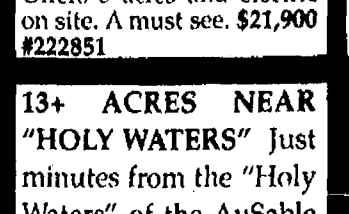
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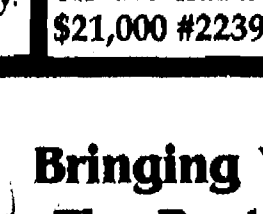
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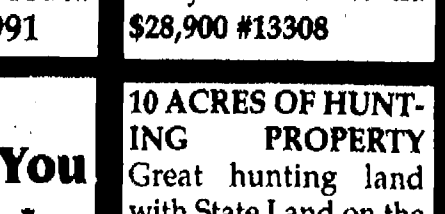
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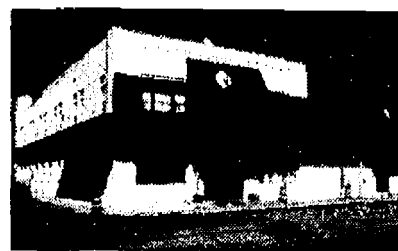
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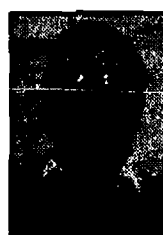
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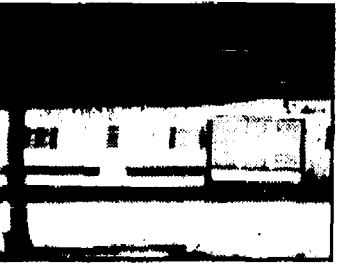
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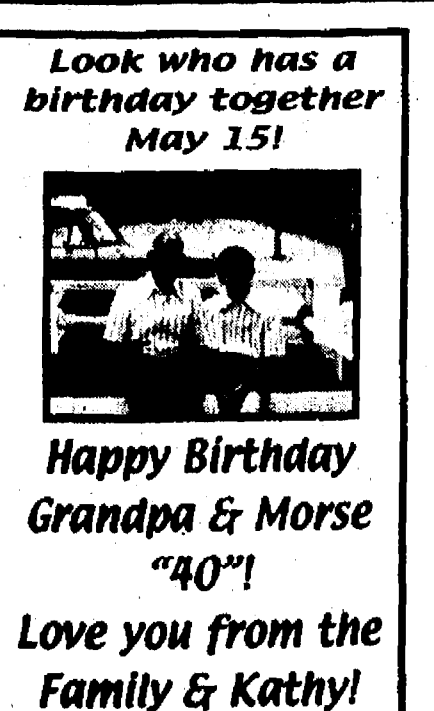
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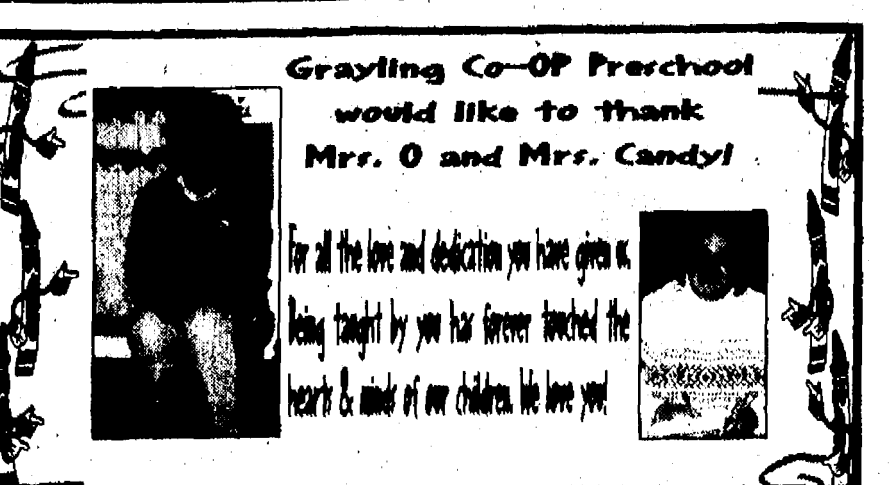
**Look who has a birthday together May 15!**



**May 14th**  
Oh my gosh can it be time for Steven Enos to be turning nine?  
**Happy Birthday Steven!**  
Love Mom, Dad & Jeff



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**GARAGE SALE** May 24, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. toys, baby items, books, some clothes, lots of miscellaneous. 3083 Babbitt, Maple Forest Township. Canceled if raining. (-15-22/10)

**GRAYLING RE-DO** Resale Shop Grand Closing Sale May 16-18, 9:00-5:00. 111 Vilas St. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** 5/15 from 12:00 to 5:00, 5/16 9:00-5:00, 5/17 9:00-11:00. Antiques, dishes, figurines, corner desk, cast iron pans, chair, saddle, roller blades, clothes, toys, books, etc. 4527 County Road 612 across from Maple Forest Cemetery. (-15/10)

**ANTIQUE GLASS** and Garage Sale. 1350 W. Federal Highway, Roscommon. One mile East of I-75, exit 244. Friday, May 23 - Monday, May 26. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-15-22/10)

**BOARDS & BEYOND SKATE SHOP** Going Out of Business Sale! 20% to 60% off storewide. Everything must go. Tuesday - Friday, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday 11:00 to 5:00. (-15/10)

**BABY & CHILDREN'S** clothes Bicycles, dinette table, prom dresses, size 9 and 10. 2115 Wales Ave., Grayling. Saturday, 8:00 to 2:00. (-15/10)

**5th Annual Giant Garage Sale**  
Rotary Club of Grayling  
Saturday, May 17  
9 to 5  
Sunday, May 18  
12 to 4  
J.J.'s Motor Mall  
M-72 West.  
Jerry Gosnell at 348-5474.

**10. Garage Sale**

**ESTATE & MOVING SALE**  
**SATURDAY & SUNDAY MAY 17 & 18 8 A.M. TO 5 P.M.**  
5 miles East of Lovells, 9 miles West of Lewiston, Route 612 • Walsh Road  
**FOLLOW THE SIGNS**

Guns • Tools • Household • Plumbing • Electrical • Fence Post • Garden Tools • Antiques • Yotel Woodstove • Sail Boat • Kawasaki Mule Model 550, 50 hrs. • Snow Blower • Stereo Equipment • Snowmobile Helmets, Boots, and Clothes • Cedar 100 Inch Logs • Hydro Hearth for Fireplace • Commercial Safe • 2 HP Electric Power Wash  
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**MOVING SALE** May 16-18 and May 23-26. Items include adult clothing, household items, some furniture items, collectibles, fabrics and sewing notions, patterns (bulk sale only), woodworking tools, etc. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 1978 Royal Coachman Drive, Grayling. from Grayling take M-72 W to Goose Creek Rd. (about 8 miles), right on Goose Creek Rd. 1.2 miles to Barkley Rd. Right on Barkley one mile to Royal Coachman then one mile to last driveway on right. (-15-22/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Friday May 16, 12:00-5:00. Saturday, May 17, 9:00-5:00. Two wood stoves, dresser, snowmobile, car, truck, boat and motor, movies, books, household goods, and much more. 1421 Moffat Trail, 72 E to McMasters Bridge Rd. to Linger Longer Road. (-8-15/10)

**TOWNLEY'S ANNUAL GARAGE SALE** Friday only, May 16, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 206 Misty Way. Electric shredder chipper, tools, electric typewriter, compound bows, twin bed, knick knacks, clothes, and much miscellaneous. Routed signs available. (-15/10)

**HUGE THREE FAMILY** Garage Sale. May 17 and May 18, 8:30-6:00. Yamaha snowmobile, horse tack, C1 canoe, Kawasaki three wheeler, children's outdoor toys and much more! 111 Barbara, Grayling. (-15/10)

**GARAGE SALE** Saturday and Sunday, May 17 and 18. 459 South Roberts Road. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (-15/10)

**11. Automotive**

**'96 CHEVY TAHOE** Four wheel drive, loaded. \$9,500 Office (989) 348-5280. Home (989) 348-6570 (LR6/26/03/11)

**1993 OLDS CIERRA** Low mileage, one owner, garaged, runs well, very good condition. (989) 348-2535 (-15-22/11)

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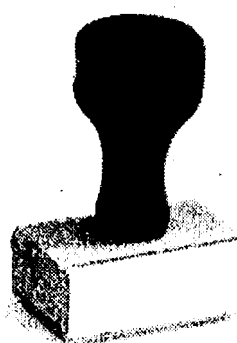
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## IRS warns: New tax scams have surfaced

Although the federal tax filing season ended on April 15, the Internal Revenue Service continues to see new tax scams. Two new schemes target families of those serving in the Armed Forces and e-mail users. In both schemes, people represent themselves as being from the IRS. The IRS has seen isolated instances of the scam that targets the families of those serving in the Armed Forces.

IRS Michigan spokesperson Sarah Wreford warns consumers to beware of any variation of a scenario in which a telephone caller posing as an IRS employee tells a family member that he is entitled to a \$4,000 refund because his relative is in the Armed Forces and then requests a credit card number to cover a \$42 fee for postage. The scammer provides an actual IRS toll-free number as the

call back number in order to make the call seem legitimate. However, the scammer then makes numerous unauthorized purchases with the victim's credit card number. "Genuine IRS employees who call taxpayers do not ask for credit card numbers or request fees for payment of a refund," Wreford said. "Tax season may be over, but tax scams continue," Wreford

added. "These types of shameless schemes hold out the allure of easy money. The IRS warns taxpayers to be on the lookout for these schemes. And we urge taxpayers to remember that the IRS does not charge for refunds or solicit credit card information."

In another scheme, victims receive an e-mail that appears to be from the IRS. The e-mail contains links to a non-IRS Internet web page that asks for personal and financial information. Such information could be used to steal the respondent's identity and get access to sensitive financial data or accounts.

Identity thieves can use someone's personal data to:

- take over his or her financial accounts,
- run up charges on the victim's existing credit cards,
- apply for loans, credit cards, services or benefits in the victim's name, or
- file fraudulent tax returns.

The IRS does not request sensitive personal or financial data by e-mail.

Both of these schemes are being reviewed by the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration, which is authorized to investigate the misuse of the IRS name, insignia, seals and symbols.

Taxpayers who are on the receiving end of one of these scams should contact TIGTA by calling the toll-free fraud referral hotline at 1-800-366-4484, faxing a complaint to (202) 927-7018 or writing to the TIGTA Hotline, P.O. Box 589, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, D.C. 20044-0589.

TIGTA's web site is located at [www.ustreas.gov/tigta](http://www.ustreas.gov/tigta).

These are hardly the first scams involving impersonation of an IRS employee or misuse of the IRS name. In the past, scammers have impersonated IRS agents by going to taxpayers' houses to "collect taxes." Genuine IRS special agents, field auditors, and collection officers carry picture IDs and will normally try to contact the taxpayer before they visit.

In another scam, the scheme promoters sent out fictitious bank correspondence and phony IRS forms in an attempt to trick the recipients into disclosing their personal and banking data. The scheme promoters then used the information to impersonate the taxpayer and gain access to the taxpayer's finances.

Genuine IRS forms do not ask for sensitive personal and financial data except in very special circumstances.

Additional information on tax scams may be found on the genuine IRS web site, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Go to The Newsroom page and then click on the "Scams/Consumer Alerts" link under the topics sidebar.

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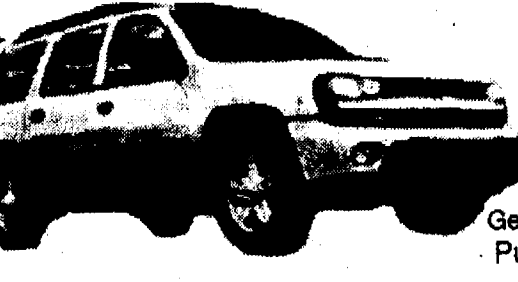
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**\$22,300 ← BUY → \$23,809**  
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Be a HERO!! Just imagine how quiet your travels will be with the kids being entertained watching their favorite DVD or listening to their favorite CD on wireless headphones Stock #19816

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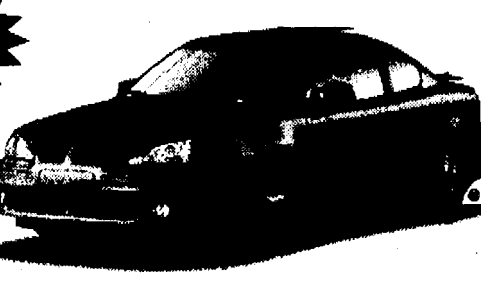
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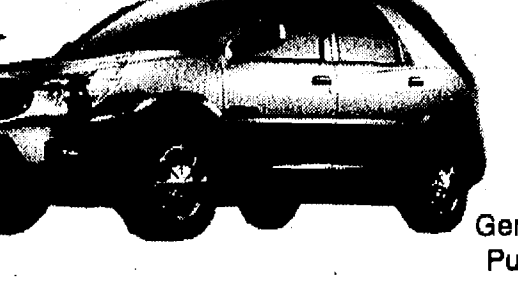
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**\$17,595 ← BUY → \$18,814**  
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Awesome loaded GT with power moonroof, power option wheels, CD, the works! Unheard of price and payments stock #19735

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2000 CHEVY MALIBU LS V6, power windows and doors, CD/Cassette, real nice! #19287-1 Was \$13,488 Blowout Price	\$11,988
2001 CHEVY MONTE CARLO SS Wow! Flame Red with power moon roof and lots of goodies! This one won't be here long! #19343-1 Was \$19,988 Blowout Price	\$17,988
2000 OLDSMOBILE INTRIGUE V6, power, nice! #5028-1 Was \$13,988 Blowout Price	\$11,988
2003 PONTIAC VIBE Auto., air, CD, power options, Satellite Silver, only 10,000 miles! A lot less than new! #4944 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$16,488
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2000 CHEVY IMPALA Like new! Very nicely equipped, power options, the works! Only 27,000 miles! #4990 Was \$14,988 Blowout Price	\$12,988
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Clean Cars Under \$10,000	
1995 PLYMOUTH NEON Great car for the price. #19279-1 Was \$3,988 Blowout Price	\$2,988
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1997 FORD TAURUS GL Nice car equipped right! Only 70,000 miles! #19742-1 Was \$6,988 Blowout Price	\$5,488
1991 HONDA CIVIC WAGON 4X4 Automatic with air! Nice with only 77,000 miles #19747-1 Was \$5,488 Blowout Price	\$3,988
1992 CADILLAC DEVILLE Very clean and standing tall! #5023 Was \$4,988 Blowout Price	\$3,988

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1998 FORD TAURUS GL Loaded with options, clean and nice! Has some miles, but the price shows it! #19457-1 Was \$6,988 Blowout Price	\$4,988
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1998 BUICK LESABRE Custom, popular "Sandrift" color, very nice and sharp! #19138-2 Was \$10,988 Blowout Price	\$9,488
1999 CHEVROLET MALIBU LS With leather! Loaded, neat as a pin! Won't last long! #4965 Was \$10,988 Blowout Price	\$8,988

Next to New Trucks, Vans, SUV's	
2001 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 Ext. cab LS, V8, fiberglass top! Nice truck #19617-1 Was \$21,988 Blowout Price	\$19,988
1999 GMC SIERRA EXT. CAB. 4X4 SLE, V8, 3 door, nicely equipped! #19496-1 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$15,988
2000 GMC JIMMY SLE loaded with power moonroof! #5032 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$15,988
2003 CHEVY ASTRO All wheel drive LT with leather! Loaded and \$10,000 less than new! 5,000 miles. #5031 Was \$25,988 Blowout Price	\$22,988
2002 CHEVY SUBURBAN 4X4 Don't pay \$45,000 for a brand new one! LS, fully equipped! #19666 Was \$32,988 Blowout Price	\$29,988
2000 CHEVY SILVERADO REG. CAB 2 Wheel Drive, auto., with air! V6 with only 10,000 miles! #4899 Was \$17,988 Blowout Price	\$14,988
1999 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN 4X4 LT with leather! Loaded to the max! 35,000 miles! #4718 Was \$27,988 Blowout Price	\$24,988
1998 PONTIAC TRANS SPORT Ext. wheel base, leather, very clean! #4923 Was \$12,988 Blowout Price	\$11,988
2001 PONTIAC MONTANA Ext. minivan. Loaded with rear air, all of the options! Only 27,000 miles! Perfect for spring break vacation! #19701-1 Was \$18,988 Blowout Price	\$16,988
1998 PLYMOUTH GRAND VOYAGER SE Fully equipped, only 65,000 miles. These are \$30,000 brand new! #19311-1 Was \$11,988 Blowout Price	\$10,488

Clean Trucks, Vans, SUV's Under \$10,000	
2000 FORD WINDSTAR SE package, fully equipped, very clean, low, low payments! #19107-1 Was \$13,988 Blowout Price	\$12,488
1999 GMC SONOMA EXT. CAB 4X4 SLS, fully equipped, very clean and sharp! #4910 Was \$15,988 Blowout Price	\$13,988
1999 S-10 EXT. CAB 2 wheel drive, 3rd door, auto., air, LS, tilt, cruise! A great little truck for a little bit of money! #4825 Was \$13,988 Blowout Price	\$11,988
2002 FORD EXPLORER 2 DR. 4X4 Loaded and perfect! Power roof and more! #19468-2 Was \$19,988 Blowout Price	\$17,988
2000 PONTIAC MONTANA Lots of extras and only 30,000 miles! These are \$25,000 brand new! #4939 Was \$4,988 Blowout Price	\$12,988
2001 CHEVY TAHOE 4 DR. 4X4 LS trim with 3rd row of seats! Very comfortably equipped with only 16,000 miles! #4940 Was \$30,988 Blowout Price	\$28,988
2000 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 EXT. CAB LS, 5.3 V8, fully equipped! #19712-1 Was \$19,988 Blowout Price	\$17,988
2003 PONTIAC MONTANA ALL WHEEL DRIVE Awesome - only 9,000 miles! DVD rear entertainment package (you'd be a hero!) Loaded! #4994 Was \$27,988 Blowout Price	\$25,988

Clean Trucks, Vans, SUV's Under \$10,000	
1995 CHEVY C1500 2 Wheel drive, V8, stock, decent truck! Only 75,000 miles! #19543-1 Was \$6,988 Blowout Price	\$5,988
1987 FORD RANGER 6 cyl. auto, with top, very clean, only 66,000 miles! #5035 Was \$4,988 Blowout Price	\$2,988
1987 DODGE DAKOTA Auto, V6, only 92,000 miles! #19248 Was \$3,988 Blowout Price	\$2,988
1996 GMC SUBURBAN 4X4 SLT with leather, only 95,000 miles! Price just right! #4896-1 Was \$11,988 Blowout Price	\$9,988
1995 CHEVY BLAZER 4X4 2 dr., nice looking 4x4 sport utility, ready for winter! #19210-2 Was \$8,988 Blowout Price	\$6,988
1999 CHEVY S10 REGULAR CAB 2 wheel drive, manual with air, LS, lots of options! Only 35,000 miles! #4883 Was \$11,988 Blowout Price	\$8,988
2000 DODGE RAM 1500 2 wheel drive with glass top! Very clean! #19266-1 Was \$12,988 Blowout Price	\$9,988
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All visual media are eligible. Jack Bergeron, Chair of the Visual Arts and Media Department at Lansing Community College, will jury the show.

Prizes include: First Place Award of \$500 plus a one-person show at the museum; \$250 Second Place Award; \$300 Third Place Award; and three Honorable Mentions.

Application forms and entry slides are due at the museum by August 29. Successful entrants and award winners will have their work displayed at the museum from October 11 through November 9.

The Jesse Besser Museum is located at 491 Johnson Street in Alpena.